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Constables
Amos Newton Junr. and
Jonas Ball was accept
in his Stead
Asahel Moore
Treasurer
Jonathan Amsden
Field Drivers
Nathan Bridges
Wm Brigham
Tythingmen
Samll Phillips
Solomon Newton
Elija Bellows

Over Seeres of ye Poor
John Fay
Aaron Fay
James Bridges
Absolam Ward
Jno Lyscom
Fence Veiwers
Elijah Bellows
Josiah Fay
Graves Diggers
Nathn Bridges
Jotham Bellows
Pound Keeper
John Temple

The Town then Proceeded and Voted.

L 50:0:0 for Hy way — Voted that there be granted and assesed the Sum fifty Pounds Lawfull money For Repairing Highways in Said Town the year Ensewing

Then Voted to Let there Swine run at Large the year Ensewing

Then Voted to Adjourn the meeting to munday next at 1 o Clock P M:

March ye 9th 1767 The Town being met accordin to the Adjournment

for Town Debts L 50:0:0 — then Voted that there be Granted and assesed the Sum of Fifty Pounds Lawfull money to pay a Schoolmaster other Town Debts---

School re-moved — Then voted that the Town School be removed into the Severall parts of the Town as usuall vizt 1st at ye East End IIly at ye Southside IIIly in the Center IV at the West End--

Land Sold to Robert Fay — Voted to Discontinue all the Leading by the Dwelling house of Robert Fay (Excepting two rods in width) vizt Beginning where his Land joyns to the widow Thankfull Horne Land Southerly of the gravel pit and So Extending Southerly untill it Comes Even with the Northwesterly Corner of another Peice of the Said Wido. Hornes Land which Lyith on the Easterly Side of said roade, and from thence Southerly the roade is Supposed to be Six rods wide, and onely, Two-rods and an half in width on the Westerly side of Said Way at That Place and untill it Comes unto the Land of John Newton be Discontinued, and that all the Land which is Take out of the afore said Way by the Discontinuance afore said be and hereby is Granted unto the said Robert Fay his Heirs and Assigns for Ever he paying to the Town fifteen dollars and makeing the said Roade Passable and good upon his own Cost: which Sum of fifteen Dollars Sd Fay, Paid Instantly into the Hands of the Town Treasurer-----

Southborough November 22 1766

Highway by James Bridges — Laid out a Town way Two rods wide Leading from the house of James Bridges Runing Northerly untill it Comes into the Town roade Easterly of Edward Chamberlains Land Bounded with Severall----Bounded with Severall, boundaries on the westerly-side of said roade as hereafter mentioned Vizt: Beginning at a heap of Stones by the Draw bars by said Bridges house: Then to a heap of Stones on a Ledge of rocks within said Bridges fence: Then to another heap of Stones by the corner of his orchyard thence to a maple tree by the Bridge--thence to a stake and Stones by a rock a Turn in the roade, thence to a Black oake Tree marked, thence to a white oake tree marked-thence to a

walnut Tree with Stones about it by the Town way East of said Chamberlain; and is Said Chamberlains bounds, all the above mentioned

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Mentioned Trees are marked and Two chops of an ax on the East Side of saide of said Trees, said roade Runs Partly thro Sd Bridges Land, and Partly thro the Lands of Jonathan Stone & Land of Rachel Newton Junr and Partly through Common Land all which is submitted to the Town for acceptance

Ezra Taylor) Selectmen
Nathn Brigham) For
John Fay) Southboro
Aaron Fay)
Manassah Stow)

the afore written return was made to the Town March ye 9th 1767 and was by vote accepted-then voted to Disolve the said meeting-
Attt Ezra Taylor Moderator

Persons Warned out

March ye 11th: 1767 Martha Ward & Calvin Ward who came last From Grafton to reside at the House of Jonathan Ward Paul Rawson & Sarah his wife & there Three Children vizt: Tryphena, Joel and Patience who came, Last from Brookfield to reside at the House of Ebenezr Johnson: William Wesson & Mary his wife who came Last from Framingham to reside in the house of Joseph Comings: Sarah Carrell who came last from Hopkinton to reside with Jacob Gibbs were all warned out by a Legal Warrant Dated March ye 3rd 1767 by--Asahel Moore Constable and Sent to Worcester for caution
Attt Ezra Taylor Town Clerk

SS

Worcester Ss To Mr. Asahel Moore & Jonas Ball Constables of the Town of Southborough in said County Greeting----
In his Majestys name you are hereby required to warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town who are quallifyed agreeable to Royal Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representative to assemble and meet at the Publick meetinghouse in said Town on Munday the Eighteenth day of May curt. a two o Clock in the afternoone-----
1st For the Town to Elect and Depute one Person Legally Quallifyed to Represent them in a grate and generall Court or assembly appointed to be held and Kept for his Majestys Service at the Court house in Boston on Wednesday the 27th day of May Curt at nine of the clock in the forenoone etc

IIly

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IIly To Chuse a Moderator for the remaining work of sd meeting
IIIly To See if the Town will Discontinue and Sale of the Town way Leadeing from the Northwesterly Corner of John Lyscoms Land and So-Leadeing by the House where the said John Lyscom lately lived and so into the Town way that Leades by the Dwellinghouse of the Said Jno. Lyscom where he now Dwells-----
IV To See if the Town will Discontinue and make sale of the Town way Leading by the House of Nathan Newton: as the Town Shall See fit---
V To See if the Town will Discontinue the Town way Leading From the House of Isaac Johnson in-to the Townway which Leades from the House of Jno Lyscom to John Bents and Dispose of the same

as they Shall see fit---
VI To See if the Town will Discontinue and make sale of the Town way Leadeing between the Land of Asahel Moore and the Land of Jonas Temple--
VII To See if the Town will Discontinue and make sale of a Part of the Townway Leadeing between the Land of Edward Chamberlain and the Land of John Amsden----
Hereof fail not and Due return make of this warrant unto ye Selectmen at or before the Time set for said meeting Dated at Southborough May ye 1st A D 1767

By order of the Selectmen
Ezra Taylor Town Clerk

Worcester Ss May the 9th 1767 By Virtue of the within warrt I have warned all the Quallifyed Voters in Southboro belonging to my District to appear at the Time and place within named

pr Asahel Moore) Constables
Jonas Ball) for South-borough

Southborough May the ye 18th 1767 The Town being met agreeable to the Warning afore said the Precept and warrant being read and the meeting being opened the vote was Put to See if the Town will comply-with the Precept and Send a Representative to the Generall Court this present year and it Past in the Negative--Then the Town by vote Chose Capt. John Fay Moderator for said meeting

Roade by Jno Lys-coms

2 ly Voted that John Lyscom Shut up the Town way Leading from the northwesterly of his Land and so by the house where he used to Live Till next March Leaveing barrs for people to pass and Re-pass. Said Lyscom Paying to the Town Eight Shillings therefor--
The fiftn article in the warrant Passed in the Negative--The fourth article to See if the Town will Discontinue in a Town way

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Roade by Nathn Newtons July 14: 1768 Nathan Newton the gran-tee paid L 3:0:0

Way Leadeing by Nathan Newtons Till it Comes to Stoney brook Voted in the afirmative said Newton Paying to the Town Three Pounds
In the Grant of way to Nathan Newton a Resorcce is made for Jonathan Newton to pass and repass to his Land and Said-Nathan Newton has reced in the above said way full Satisfaction for the land the County Roade took from him from the South East Corner of the School House Till it comes to Coll Taylors Land
to the Town Treasurer being in full of what remained due for To. Road

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Roade by A. Moore & paid for by him Sepr 19th 1768

The Sixth article to see if the Town will Discontinue and make sale of a Town way Between the Land of Asahel Moore and Jonas Temple: Voted in the affirmative said Moore paying to the Town Thirty Shillings----

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Roade by Edw Cham-berlains

The Seventh article to See if the Town will Discontinue and make Sale of a part of a Town way to Edward Chamberlin Leadeing between the Land of said Chamberlain and the land of John Amsden Voted in the affirmative that said Chamberlin Shall have one rod wide forty eight rods in length on the Westerly side of said way he paying to the Town Sixteen Shilling Lastly voted that the meeting be Disolved

John Fay Moderter Recorded pr Ezra Taylor Town Clerk

Worcester Ss To Messr Jonas Ball & Asahel Moore Constables of Southborough in said County Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required to warn all the free holders and other Inhabitants within your Respective Districts in said Town who are Quallyifyed Legally to vote in Town meeting to assemble and meet at the Publick meeting house in said Town on Munday the 19th day of October Curt. at one of the Clock in the afternoone to act on the following articles vizt
1st To Chuse a Moderator for said meeting
IIly To agree upon and Grant a sum of money to pay the Mr. Nathan Stone his Present years Sallery Ending the Eighth of June Next---
III For to See if the Town will abate the Taxes Set upon the Pole and Estate of Benjamin Morse Decd which was Indeedd in the list of assesment commited to Collect in the year 1765 as also To see if the Town will abate Joseph Collins Rates Inclued in Sd List of Assesment-----
IV To See if the Town will Prefer a Petition to the Court of Generall Sessions of the Peace next to be held at Worcester
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Worcester in this County on the first Tuesday of Novemr next Praying that the county roade Lately Laid out and accepted through the Land of Isaac Johnson and the Heirs of Thomas Brigham Decd maybe altered and Laid where the Town way is Laid and occupied a Little Southerly of the said County roade-and occupied a Little Southerly of the said County roade-
Hereof fail not and Due return make unto the Selectmen at or before the Time set for said Meeting Dated at Southborough the 5th day of October A d 1767 and in ye Seventh year of his Majestys Reign By order of the Selectmen
Ezra Taylor Town Clerk
Southborough October ye 12 1767
I have warned all the freeholders and other Inhabitants within my District Quallyfyed for voteing in Town Meetings to assemble and meet at Time & place within mentioned
pr Jonas Ball: Asahel Moore Constable for Southboro
Worcester Ss Att a Town meeting held in the Town of Southborough this 19th day of October A d 1767 by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Qually by Law to act in town meeting in Southborough on articles Set forth in the Warrant Dated October 5th 1767 the following Votes were Passed Pursuant to said warrant etc viz------
1st That Timothy Brigham Esqr Should be Moderator of & for said meeting----
2ly Agreed voted & granted to the Revd Nathan Stone of sd Town The Sum of sixty Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull money for his present years sallery Ending the 8th day of June Next and that the Inhabitants of said Town be assesed for and that the said Sum be Collected & paid to him etc
3ly Voted to abate the Pole Tax Set on Benjamin Morse Late of Said Southborough Decd in the year 1765 and that the Treasurer of said Town be ordered by the Selectmen of said Southborough to repay to the widow of said Benjamin the sum of which was set on said Benjamins Pole a d 1765 which was all that Passed in the affirmative Relateing or in answer to the 3rd article In said Warrant

4 ly

4ly Voted to Prefer a Petition to the Court of Sessions Next to be held at Worcester in and for the County of Worcester on the first Tuesday of November Next Praying that the County Roade Lately Laid out in said Southborough through the Lands of Isaac Johnson and the Heirs of Thomas Brigham Deced may be altered and Laid where the Town way is Laid and occupied a Little Southwardly of Said County roade, and that Lt. Nathan Brigham Isaac Johnson and Jonathan Ward of said Southborough be a committe to prefer said Petition and to manage and Pursue said affair a Necessary etc
5ly Voted that said meeting be Desolved------

Southborough Octobr 19th 1767--

Recorded pr. Ezra Taylor Town Clerk attt Timo Brigham Moderator

Worcester Ss To Jonas Ball one of the Constables of the Town of Southborough in Sd County Greeting

SS In his Majesties Name you are hereby Required to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town Qualified for voteing in meeting to assemble and meet at the Publick Meeting-house in said Town on Munday the Seventh day of March next at Twelve of the Clock at Noon to act on the following articles viz--

1 To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2 To Chuse Town Officers for the year Ensuing as the Law Directs
3 To agree upon & grant a sum of money to Repair Highways in said Town the year Ensuing
4 To Chuse a Committee to Hire a Schoolmaster for Said Town the year Ensuing--
5 To agree upon & grant a sum of money to pay a Schoolmaster and other Town Debts the year Ensuing
6 To Consider and allow any Town Debts that Shall be brought in by those to whom the Town is Justly Indebted
7 To See if the Town will determinely vote to Let their Swine Run at large the year ensuing--
8 To See if the Town will determine by vote to remote the School into the Several Parts of the Town as they did the last year--
9th To See if the Town will accept of a Town way laid out by the Selectmen leading from William Onthanks Towards Jabez Snows to Westborough line

10 To see if the Town will come into some measures for the removal of one Lidia Vickory a poor person who is sent to this Town from the Town of Mendon by a Warrant given by Nathan Tylor Esqr of said Mendon dated the 15th day of december last past
11 To See if the Town will make a grant of money to Mr Asahel Mathews for satisfaction to him for his removing his Stone wall and for Land taken from him by the laying out the County Road thro his Land westerly of Southborough Meeting house
12 To See if the Town will make a Grant of money to Mr Ezekiel Newton in addition to what adjudged his due by the Courts Committee for his Damages by the laying out the County Road thro his land Northeasterly of his Dwelling House
13 To See if the Town will make a Grant of money to Mr John Brittan for Recompence for his Damages Sustained by the laying out the County Road thro' his land Northwest of his Dwelling House
14 To See if the Town will make a Grant of money to the widow Mary Morse to Refund Her what She has been obliged to Expend in procuring a person to finish the Collecting the Rates committed to her Late Husband to Collect as also to See if the Town will abate the Taxes set on Joseph Collins Pole and Estate as con-

tained in the aforesaid Lists of Assestments
15 To See if the Town will abate Samuel Shermans Pole Tax Set in the Lists of Assessment Committed to Mr Seth Newton as Constable for the year 1766
16 To Chuse a Pound Keeper and Graves Diggers and Some persons to Sweep the meeting house and Lock and unlock the Door thereof Hereof fail not and due return make unto the Selectmen Att or before the time Sett for said meeting Dated a Southborough the 15th day of Feby A D 1768

By order of the Selectmen
Ezra Taylor Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough March the 7th 1768
I have warned the Inhabitants of Southbo according to the Tenor of this Warrant by Posting up a Coppy of the Same agreeable to a vote of the Town past in the year A D 1759 Jonas Ball Constable for Southbo:

Southborough March 7: A. D. 1768 The Town being met Pursuant to the Warrant which being read with the return thereon as also the list of voters the meeting being oppened then proceeded and Chose Colo Timothy Brigham Moderator for the said meeting Then the Act relating to the observation of the Lord's Day being
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being read by the Clerk the Town Proceeded and chose Town Officers vizt-

Wardens
Absolam Ward
Nathan Bridges

Selectmen
Colo Timo Brigham
John Temple
Deacon John Fay
Capt Jona Ward
Manasseh Stow

Town Clerk
Capt Jona Ward

Constables
James Bridges
Jona Ward & Asahel Moore & was by vote accepted in said Wards Place

Town Treasurer
Mr John Temple

Assessors
Ezra Taylor Esqr.
Deacon John Fay
Lt. John Lyscom

Tythingmen
Robert Fay Excused
John Lyscom
Capt Aaron Fay

Field Drivers
Bezaleel Walker
Ezra Taylor Jun.

Sealer of Leather
William Winchester

Overseers of the Poor
William Collins
Capt Aaron Fay
Seth Newton
Nathan Bridges
Solomon Newton

Fence Viewers
William Brigham
John Lyscom

Hogreaves
William Brigham
Jonas Ball

Committe to Hire a School Master
Capt Aaron Fay
Manassah Stow
William Collins

For Repairing Highways L 50 Then Voted and Granted The Sum of Fifty Pounds lawful money for the Repairing Highways the year ensuing in Said Southborough

Then voted to adjourn the said meeting till to morrow at one of the clock P. M. to Meet at This Same---

Southbo: March 8: 1768 The Town being met agreeable to the aforesd adjournment the meeting opened again proceeded to act on the 5th article of said Warrant etc

Deer Reeves
Asahel Mathews
Seth Newton
Clerk of the market
David Newton
Surveyors of Highways
& Collectors of the
money granted for re-
pairing the same
Josiah Fay
John Lyscom
Edward Newton
Mark Collins Exd

Voted to pay Town Debts
L 50
Voted and Granted the Sum
of Fifty Pounds L-M to be
assesed according to Law for
Paying a Schoolmaster and
other Town Debts in Sd.
Southborough the Ensuing year

on-

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On Article 6th 'Granted to Ephm Ward L 0:14:0 For Making Rates A D 1767
'Granted to John Temple 0:14:0 For Ditto D°
Granted to Jona Amsden 0:8:0 For Serving as Treasurer 1767
Granted to Nathan Bridges 0:12:0 For Taking Care of the meeting House a. d. 1767.

On Article 7th 'Voted to let the Swine run at large the ensuing year in 'sd Town

8th 'Voted to move the School into the Several parts of the sd Town Vizt to begin at the East End'
Then to move to the South Side '
Then to the West End ' of said Town the year ensuing
and last to the Middle '

On Article 9th 'The following return was made to the Town Vizt April '7: 1767 laid out a Town way two rods wide in Southbo thirty one rod in length leading from William Onthanks toward Jabez Snows begining about 20 rods South of Said Onthanks House at a heap of Stones and runing Westerly to a black Oak Tree marked from thence to another Oak Tree marked from thence to another black Oak Tree marked at Westborough line Eleven rods in John James his land and twenty rods in John Lyscoms land and the above described Marks are on the North Side of Said way

Nathan Brigham) Selectmen
John Temple) For said
Ephraim Ward) Southborough
Manasseh Stow)

Which return was by vote of Sd Town approved of & accepted

On Article 10th 'Voted to Take Some Proper Methods to remove and get 'rid of Supporting one Lydia Vickory a poor person

Voted 1st lately Sent to Said Southbo by the Town of Mendon and get the cost Said Southbo has been and maybe at in Supporting her and prosecuting the affair of her removal reimbursted in a Suitable & Just manner

2d Voted to Chuse Agents to Manage and prosecute Said affair as necessary and Suitable-------

3d Voted that Ezra Taylor Esqr Manasseh Stow & Jona Amsden be Agents for said Southborough they or either two of them to Manage and Prosecute in sd affair either by Filing a Complaint or prefering a Petition to the

Court

Court of General Sessions for the Peace next to be holden at Worcester for and within the county of Worcester and take all other proper and Necessary Methods ways and Means from time to time in order to and finally to remove the said Lydia Vickory from Sd Southborough which said Lydia was lately sent to this Town from the Town of Mendon by a Warrant given by Nathan Tyler Esqr. of Said Mendon dated the 15th day of Decr last post and that the Cost said Southborough has and may be at in Supporting said Lydia and prosecuting and Carrying on said affair or Prosecution may be Reimbursed or refunded back to said Southborough again------

Voted that Robert Fay be Excused from Serving as tythingman the year Ensuing

Voted that Mark Collins be Excused from Serving as Surveyor of Highways & Collector of the money granted for repairing highways the year Ensuing

Sealer of Leather — Ezekiel Newton for the year ensuing

Surveyor of Highways & Collector of etc Asahel Mathews for the year Ensuing

On Articles 11, 12 & 13 — Voted I To Chuse a Committee to View the lands mentioned in said Articles & make report thereon at the Next Town meeting in Said Southborough----

Secondly — Voted that Lt. Nathan Brigham Deacon John Fay & Lt Josiah Fay be the Said Committee to View and Estimate Said Lands and that Said Committee view any other land that did belong to any other person or persons & which has been laid out and accepted as a road or Town way to the damage of any one and Suitable Recompence therefor not haveing been already made and Said committes to make report thereof at the next Town meeting in said Southbo

On Article 14 — Voted and Granted to the widow Mary Morse Twenty four Shillings as a Recompence for Finishing Collecting the Lists of Assesments or Rates that were committed to her late Husband Benjamin Morse to Collect

On Article 15th — Voted to abate the Rates Set on Samuel Sherman as contained in the Lists of assements committed to Seth Newton to Collect a. d. 1766

On Article 16 — Pound Keeper) Colo Timo Brigham for the year Ensuing
Grave Diggers) Nathan Bridges) For the year Ensuing
Jotham Bellows)

Voted that Ezra Taylor Esqr be sweeper of the meetinghouse and Lock & unlock the doors of the Same the year ensuing

Voted that three of the Selectmen as they Shall agree be a committe to Receive of and Transfer the Town Books Records and all papers with the Jury Box & Key thereof that are now Deposited in the hands of Ezra Taylor Esqr as former Town Clerk to Jonathan Ward the present Town Clerk

Lastly Voted to Dissolve the meeting which was according Dissolved

Attest Timo Brigham) Moderator of & for) said meeting

Recorded pr. Jona Ward
Town Clerk

Worcester Ss March ye 8 1768
The afore Sd of whoom and oath
is Required were Duly Sworn and
Took the oath Respecting ye Bill
of Credit of ye other govrmt

Ezra Taylor
Jst Pais

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Worcester Ss March 21: anno domini 1768
At a meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Southborough in order to Settle accts with and Receive of Mr Jonathan Amsden as He has been Treasurer for said Town Viz. what is in his hands belonging to Said Town and Transfer the same into the hands of Mr John Temple the Present Treasurer for said Town Have found by said Amsdens Certificate and acct given in by Him as follows viz. This may Certify whom it may concern that there is due from the Constables that served for the year 1766 viz.

	S	D	F
from Aaron Amsden.....L	8	18	2:2
from Seth Newton.....	5	11	10:3

Attest Jona Amsden

July 11: 1768 paid Mr John Temple Treasurer for Sd Town L 5:12:2d being the contents of the order from the Selectmen to Jona Amsden:-dated Feby 19: 1768 to pay Said Sum to Asahel Moore which having been sum drawn out of the Province Treasurer by Jona Ward in behalf of the Selectmen

Attest Jona Ward
Town Clerk

An order from the Selectmen Dated Feby 19:1768 to said Jona Amsden to pay Asahel Moore which was paid viz---

Cash in said Jona Amsdens Hands	5:12:2:0
	5:9:0:1
	L25:11:3:2

The sum total of the above acct. of whats due and yet to collect from said Aaron Amsden and Seth Newton with the order and Cash afore mentioned amounts to Twenty-five Pounds Eleven Shillings three pence two farthings for which We have given Said Jona Amsden as he was former Treasurer a Receipt and have Transfered over and Commited the acct- of what is to be collected of said Constables with the order and Cash aforesaid unto Mr John Temple the Present Treasurer

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
John Fay) of said
Manassah Stow) South-
borough

Recorded By Jona Ward Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss To Messrs James Bridges and Asahel Moore Constables
For the Town of Southborough in said County Greeting
SS In his Majesties Name you are hereby Required to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in said Town within your Respective Districts who are Qualified agreeable to Royal Charter to Vote in the choice of a Representative to assemble & meet at the publick meeting house in said Town on Munday the 9th day of May next at one of the clock in the afternoon of said Day

I For the Town to Elect and Depute some person Legally-Qualifyed to Represent them in the great and General Court or assembly appointed to be held & kept for his Majesties Service at the Court House in Boston in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England on Wednesday the 25th day of May next at 9 of the clock in the morning and eo De Die in Diem during their Session or Sessions if they think fit and if not then to make answer to the precept in Some other way
II To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining work of Sd Meeting
III To hear the Report of the Committee chosen last March to Estimate the Damages that Mr Asahel Mathews, Mr Ezekiel Newton & Mr John Britain sustained by the County Road having been lately laid out thro their Lands in Sd Town and act thereon Relating to allowing them or either of them a Recompence therefor as they See fit--
IV To hear the Petition prefered by Abijah Willard of Lancaster in sd County in behalf of Said Lancaster to the Governor Council & House of Representatives of said Province in their last Sessions praying that a Term of the Superior Court of Indicature & two of the courts of General Sessions of the peace and Inferior Courts of Common Pleas for said county may be held in said Lancaster and said Southbo to do and determine as they Shall think proper thereon
V To See if the Town Will grant to John Lyscom the improvement of the Town way leading from the Northwesterly part of his land, Easterly By the House where He lately lived till it comes into the Town way that leads by the House where he now lives the year ensuing he paying a proper consideration to said Southboro therefor
VI To See if the Town of Southbo will give their Committee that was chosen the 19th day of Octr last to prefer a petition to the Court of general Sessions of the peace held at Worcester in and for said County last Novr in order to obtain an alteration of the county Road in Said Town of Southbo West of Isaac Johnsons as Set forth in Said Petition any further Instructions in their furtner proceeding in order to get the said petition answered in full & thereby prevent Sd County Road going up Mathews Hill (as so called) where it has lately been laid out by the Committee sent by the Court of General Sessions held in Said Worcester in January last
Hereof fail not & due Return make of this warrant & your proceedings therewitn unto the Selectmen at or before the time appointed for said meeting etc., Dated at Southbo April 28 a. D. 1768
Signed by order of the Selectmen
pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester

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Worcester Ss Southborough May 9th 1768 In obedience to tne witnin Warrant I have warned the Freeholders and other Innabitants agreeable to the within written warrant
pr Asahel Moores Constable for Southborough
Worcester Ss In obedience to the witnin Warrant I have Warned all the Freenolders and other Innabitants Qualified to vote in Town meeting to meet at the time and place within mentioned May 9th 1768--James Bridges Constable for Southborough
Southborough May 9th A. D. 1768 The Town being met pursuant to

the warrant which being read with the Return thereon The Meeting being opened the Precept for a Representative Read then Proceeded to Act on Viz.
Article I The vote was put to See if said Town will answer the Precept by Sending a Person to Represent them at the great and General court of said Province the ensuing year and is past in the Negative
On Article II The vote was put to See if Coll Timo Brigham Shall be Moderator for the Remaining work of the Said Meeting and is past in the affirmative
On Article III The following Report was rec'd and read Viz. Southborough May 9th 1768 We the Subscribers being a committee appointed by said Town to View and See what damage Ezekiel Newton John Britain and Asahel Mathews ought to have more than the Courts Committee allowed them: Upon view of said Land We determine that Ezekiel Newton have one pound more John Britain two Pounds Asahel Mathews one pound Six Shillings and eight pence

Nathan Brigham)
John Fay) Comtee
Josiah Fay)

Then the following votes was put to said Town viz.
1st If it be your minds to allow Ezekiel Newton one pound agreeable to the Report manifest it by holding up the hand and it past in the Negative
2ly To See if the Town will allow John Britain the Sum of two pound as Set forth in Said Report and it past in the Negative
3ly If it be your minds to allow, Asahel Mathews one pound Six Shillings and eight pence according to said Report pleace to manifest the Same & it past in the affirmative

Mathews allowed

L 1:6:8 for Road

On article IV.

On Article IV The following Petition was Read viz.
Province of Massats Bay) To his Excellancy Francis Barnard Escr to the Honorable his majesties council and to the Honourable house of Representatives in General Court assembled The Petition of the Town of Lancaster in the County of Worcester Humbly Shews that the Superior Court of Indicature and the Courts of General Sessions of the peace and Inferior Courts of Common Pleas for said county have hitherto been holden at Worcester the Shire Town of said County and your Petitioners are apprehensive another Term of the said Superior Court May Shortly be appointed for Said County & your Petitioners are apprehensive it would be more for the conveniency of said County if one Term of the Sd Superior Court & Two of the Courts of General Sessions & common Pleas were holden at said Lancaster your petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Excellancy and honours would take the Premises into your wise Consideration and Establish one Term of the Sd Superior Court and two of the Courts of Sessions & Common Pleas to be holden at Lancaster for the future or otherwise Regulate the Same as your Excellancy & Honours Shall think meet and your petitioners as in duty Bound Shall ever Pray

Abijah Willard in behalf
of the Town of Lancaster

In the House of Representatives Feby 19th 1768 Ordered that the petitioners Notify the Several Towns and Districts and also the

Courts of General Sessions of the peace in said County of Worcester of this petition by Serving their--Several Clerks with a Coppy thereof to Shew cause if any they have on the Second Tuesday of next May Session why the prayer Should not be granted

Sent up for Concurrance
J. Cushing Speaker

In council Feby 19th 1768 Read and Concured
A. Oliver Secrey.

A true Coppy Attest John Cotton Deputy Secrey.

1st. Then the following votes were put to Said Town viz. If it be your minds to approve of said Petition please to manifest the Same--which vote past in the Negative If it be your minds to disapprove of said petition

2ly and give your Reasons therefor please to manifest the Same and it past in the affirmative

Then the following draft containing the Reasons was Read to the Town

Viz-

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Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England

To his Excellency Francis Barnard Esqr to the honourable his Majestys Council and to the honourable House of Representatives in General Court to be assembled for said Province on the 2d Tuesday of the Session of May Currant

Whereas Abijah Willard of Lancaster in the County of Worcester Esqr. did in the Last Session of the great and General Assembly of said Province prefer a petition to said Court in behalf of the Town of Lancaster aforesaid Praying that a Term of the Superior Court of Indicature and Two Terms of the Courts of General Session of the peace and Inferior Courts of Common Pleas for said County may be held in the Town of Lancaster aforesaid etc and the Town of Southborough in said County being Served with a Coppy of said petition to Shew cause if any they have why the prayer thereof Should not be granted: Have at a Legal Meeting held on Wednesday the 9th day of May a. d. 1768 Voted to offer the following Reasons why the Prayer thereof Should not be granted viz

I We apprehend that to have all the Courts for the County aforesd held in the Town of Worcester in Said County as heretofore will not only accomodate said Lancaster & the towns in said county northwesterly of the Same as well as it does those to the Southward part of said county but it will also accomodate the greatest part of the county aforesaid much better then to have any of them held in Said Lancaster as Requested for the holding said courts at said Lancaster as petitioned for will be so much to the Northward of the Middle of said County as that it will greatly discommode and put all the Southward part of said County to an ureasonable cost of Travel etc

2ly To Erect a Court House and Goal in Lancaster aforesaid in order for holding Said Courts there etc Will cost Said County a large sum of money & Said County having Lately Built a large & convenient Court House & Goal in the Town of Worcester aforesaid; where as it was thought would be most convenient for and best Serve the county aforesaid We Do therefore Humbly intreat that Said petition may be dismissed as causeless & unnecessary and as in Duty bound

We--Shall ever pray

Then Voted to approve of the Reasons aforesaid & that a coppy of the same be lodged in the Secretarys office by the Town Clerk of said Southbo: as an answer to Said Petition

On Article V Voted to let Lt John Lyscom have the improvement of the Road leading from the Northwesterly part of his land easterly
I by the House where He lately lived till it comes into the Townway that leads to the House where He now lives the year ensuing he paying A Reasonable Recompence therefore to Said Town
2ly Voted that He give two Dollars to the Town as a Recompence for said improvement but said Lyscom refused & sd he would not give it
3ly It was put to vote to see if said Town would let him Said Lyscom improve sd way the year ensuing he paying eight Shillings thereafor and it past in the Negative----
On Article VI It was put to vote to see if the Town will give their committee Chosen the 19th day of Octr last as set forth in sd article, any furtner Instructions for their further proceedings on the affair of the County Road mentioned in said article and it past in the Negative
Then Voted not to give said Committee any further Instructions to pursue said affair of said County Road as mentioned in said Article VI and then the Meeting was Disolved

Attest Timo Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss To Messrs James Bridges and Asahel Moore Constables for the Town of Southborough in Said County Greeting
SS In his Majesties Name you are hereby Required forthwith to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of said Town in your Respective Districts Qualified for voting in town meetings to Assemble and Meet at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Munday the Sixth day of June next at one of the clock in the afternoon of said day to act on the following articles which are contained in a writing signed by more then Ten of the Freeholders of said Town who have therein Desired the Selectmen of said Town to call Said Meeting
Viz I To Chuse a Moderator for said meeting
2ly To hear and consider upon a vote of the Court of General Sessions of the peace held at Worcester in said County on the Second Tuesday of may currant Relating to the County Road Lately Altered and Laid out a New from Mr Isaac Johnsons to the Top of Mathews Hill So Called
3ly To see if the Town will agree upon and grant a Sum of money to be laid out in Digging Down Mathews Hill So Called and Making a good Road from the top of Said Hill to Spring Brook and to chuse Some person or persons to See the work Effectually done & to Pass any other Legall vote or votes the Sd Town Shall Judge necessary when met in order that the work aforesaid may be Speedily and Effectually done Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant & your Proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen at or before the Time appointed for said meeting etc Dated at Southborough May the 28th Day a. d. 1768 Signed by order of the Selectmen.....pr. Jona Ward Town Clerk
Worcester Ss In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants in my District to meet at time & place within mentioned June 6th 1768

James Bridges Constable for Southbo-

Worcester Ss June ye 6th 1768 In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough belonging to my District agreeable to the within warrant

Asahel Moore Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss Southborough June 6th 1768 The Town of Said Southbo being met pursuant to the warrant which being Red with the Return thereon the Meeting being Opened the Said Town then Proceeded to act viz.

I The vote being put to See if Ezra Taylor Esqr. Shall be moderator for said Meeting it past in the affirmative

On Article II Courts Vote 13th May 1768

The vote of the Court of General Sessions mentioned in said Article being read which is as follows Viz.

Worcester Ss Upon Ezra Taylor Esqr. engaging that Mathews Hill in Southborough Shall be Dug down & put in good Repair That part of the Committee Report Relating to the alterations there was by the Court Continued To next Term

May 13th 1768

Attest Timo Paine Clerk

The vote being put to see if the Town will grant a sum of money to Dig Down Mathews Hill (So Called) & to make a Convenient Road from the Top of said Hill to Spring Brook it past in the affirmative

On Article III Voted

1st The vote being put to See if Said Town will grant the sum of Twenty five pounds to be laid out in Diging Mathews Hill (So Called) from the Top of the Same & So down Said Hill where the county Road was first laid out in the old Town way & making a good Road till it comes against William Brigham and from thence to make a good Road in the Town way as now trod till it comes into the County Road as last laid out & so to continue to Spring Brook viz So much of said money to be laid out on the Same as Shall be-necessary to make said Road as now Trod from the Top of Said Hill to Said Spring Brook a good Road & the Surplusage if any there be to be laid out in Repairing the other part of said County Road in said Town which Vote past in the affirmative

2ly The Vote being put to See if the Several Surveyers in said Town for the present year make up their accts Respecting the above Sum so that they be Discharged on or before the tenth Day of July next-Said Vote past in the affirmative

3ly The vote being put to see if the aforesaid Sum be worked out by the hour each person labouring to be allowed a certain sum by the Several Surveyors for each hour he works; it past in the affirmative

4ly The vote being put to said Town to See if said Surveyors Shall allow each person who labours in working out the sum aforesaid for each Hour he Works four pence the hour it past in the affirmative

5ly

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5ly The Vote was put to See if the Town will chuse three persons as a committee to See the aforesaid work be done and the country Road where it was last-----laid through the lands of the Heirs of Thomas Brigham Dect which lands lye on the Southside of Said Trod Road Discontinued and to have the County Road laid and Established from Isaac Johnsons where the Road is now trod till it comes to the Top of Said Hill and it past in the affirmative

6ly, 7ly & 8ly Voted that Ezra Taylor Esqr John Fay and John Lyscom be said Committee

9ly Voted that either two of the committee aforesaid have power to appear & manage the aforesd business Lastly the said meeting by vote of said Town was Dissolved

Attest Ezra Taylor Modr

Recorded pr. Jona Ward Town Clerk

Discharge from the Selectmen dated June 2nd 1760 to Colo. Timo Brigham as he had been Treasurer

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Southborough on the Second day of June 1760 In order for calling Col. Timo Brigham the Town Treasurer to an account Respecting the Several Sums of money which He had rec'd of the Several Constables (Exclusive of the Revd Mr Stones Salary) Since the last Settlement with Said Treasurer He having produced an account We have Examined Said Acct-and we find his acct well vouched Respecting his Disburstments of said moneys and with what he has now delivered to us We accept in full and do Accordingly Discharge Said Treasurer for all the moneys He has Received of the Several Constables to this Day witness our Hands the Day above said

Recorded July 11: 1768 by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Ezra Taylor) Selectmen
Nathan Brigham) For
Ephraim Ward) Southborough
John Fay)
John Temple)

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Worcester Ss to Messrs. James Bridges and Asahel Moores Constables of the Town of Southborough in Said County Greeting-----

SS In his Majestys Name you are hereby required forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town within your respective Districts who are Qualifyed for voteing in Town meetings to assemble and meet at the Publick Meeting House in said Town on Munday the 12 Day of Sepr next at two of the Clock in the afternoon on said day to act on the following articles viz

I To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting

II To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone of Said Town his present years Salary ending the 8th day of June next

III To See if the Town will Discontinue and make sale of a part of the Town way leading between the lands of Deacon David Woods in Said Town by his now Dwelling House towards Marlborough Viz. to make Sale of the Same to David Woods Junr. of said Town He paying a Suitable Consideration therefor

IV To Receive and allow the accounts of the committee chosen last Octr to prefer a Petition to the Court of Sessions--held in said County last Novr for the Obtaining an Alteration of part of the County Road in Said Town West of Isaac Johnsons etc and grant money to pay Said committee

V To Receive and allow the Accounts of the Committee Chosen last June to See that the work that was then to be done on the county Road Between Isaac Johnsons and the Top of Mathews Hill So Called Should be done and an alteration of Said Road obtained by applying to the Court of Sessions held in Said County in August Currt-and grant money to pay said committee

VI To hear & consider of the Petition of Deacon Gideon Newton relating to Timothy Pierce who was bound to him and act thereon as may be proper Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen on or before the time Set for sd meeting Signed by order of the Selectmen

pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Septr the 9th 1768

In obedience to this warrant I have warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough agreeable to the within written

Asahel Moore Constable for Southborh

Worcester Ss In obedience to the within Warrant I have Warned all the freeholders and other Inhabitants within my District Qualified to vote in Town Meetings to meet at time and place within mentioned
September ye 12th 1768
James Bridges Constable for Southborough

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Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr 12th 1768 The Town of Said Southborough being met the warrents and Return thereon Red the meeting opened then Proceed to act Viz.
On Article I Voted that Ezra Taylor Esqr be Moderator for Sd Meeting

On Article II Voted and Granted the Revd Mr Nathan Stone Sixty Six pounds thirteen shillings & four pence lawfull money for his present years Salary ending the 8th Day of June next and that the same be assessed on the poles & Rateable Estate in said Town.

On Article III Voted to Discontinue two rods in width of the Town way begining at the North End of Jona Wards land and runing northerly by Deacon Woods Orchard Twenty rods to the Southside of the Town way that leads from said Deacon Woods to Southborough Meeting House and then Begining on the North Side of Said Road that leads to said meeting House and--Discontinuing two rods in width on the West Side of Said Road that leads----- Northerly 48 rods to the northeasterly corner of said woods pasture land and that the same be granted to David Woods Junr his Heirs and assigns forever He paying to the Town Nine Dollars which money He paid into the Treasury immediately

On Article IV Received and allowed the acct. of Lt. Nathan Brigham and Jona Ward being two of the Committee chosen last Oct. to prefer a Petition to the Court of Sessions held in Worcester last Novr. etc and order the Same being three pounds four Shillings & Six pence lawfull money to be paid out of the Treasury of Said Southborough

V Voted and ordered that the Sum of One pound Seven Shillings be paid Ezra Taylor Esqr being what He paid Joseph Wilder Wm Richardson and Abijah Willard Esqr for viewing the Road at Mathews Hill (so called) including their Expences

On Article VI After hearing the Petition of Deacon Gideon Newton the vote was put to See if the Town will remove Timo Pierce his apprentice and make him a Consideration aduquate to the cost he has been at about said Boy and Said vote past in the Negative
Then the meeting by vote was Dissolved
Recorded pr Attest Ezra Taylor Moderator
Jonathan Ward Town Clerk

Asahel Moore paid one pound Ten Shillings being the conditions for there Land granted to him by the Town of Southborough May 18: 1767 Recd the Said Thirty Shillins Sepr 19: 1768 pr Jona Ward Town Clerk
paid the above Thirty Shillings to John Temple Town Treasurer
Pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss To Messrs James Bridges and Asahel Moore Constables of the Town of Southborough in Said County Greeting
SS In his Majestys Name you are hereby required forthwith to warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town within your respective Districts who are Qualified for voteing in Town meetings to assemble and meet at the Publick meeting House in Sd Town on Munday the 26th day of Sepr Instant at two of the Clock in the afternoon on said day to act on the following articles viz.
I To chuse a Moderator for said meeting
II To hear & consider of the Proceedings & Request of the Town of Boston and in conformity thereto to chuse one or more persons as a committee to convene at Boston with others that are & Shall be chosen in Sd Province if said Southbo: Shall think fit and to pass any other legall vote or votes Relating to & concerning said affair that said Southbo: when met shall see proper-------
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant & your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen on or before the time appointed for said meeting: Dated at said Southbo Sepr 19th 1768
By order of the Selectmen
pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss In obedience to the within Warrent I have warned all the freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualified to vote in Town Meetings within my District to meet at time and Place within mentioned
Sepr 26th 1768 James Bridges Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss Septemr 23d: 1768 In obedience to this warrent I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro: agreeable to the within written
Asahel Moore Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr 26: A. D. 1768 The Town of Said Southbo: being met the warrants and Return thereon red with the proceedings and Request of the Town of Boston in this Instant Sepr then proceeded to act viz.
I Chose Timo Brigham Moderator for said meeting

On Article II ' The vote was put to See if the Town will send one or more committee man to Joyn in the proposed Committee of convention held in Fanuil Hall at Boston as Soon as may be and it past in the Negative
Then the meeting by Vote was Dissolved
Attest Timo Brigham Moderator
Recorded pr Jonathan Ward Town Clerk
Southborough Feby 16: 1769 Then Recd of Mr John Temple Town Treasurer the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen shillings and four pence lawful money in full of my Sallery for the year 1767 as also nine pounds in full of the wood Rate for the Same year as witness my hand Nathan Stone
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Southborough Feby 27: 1769 having Examined the account of Mr John Temple as Treasurer for Said Town for the year past find that He has been Chargeable with the Sum of one hundred forty nine pounds eight Shillings seven

pence two farthings)
Lawful money ·) L 149:8:7:2

That Sd Temple has produced proper Vouchers Shewing that he has paid L 102:9:0:2 and that there yet Remains to be Collected from Aaron Amsden Constable for the year 1766--8:18:2:2 which said Temple was Chargeable with to be Collected from Asahel Moore Constable for the year 1767 for which 4:8:0:0 said Temple was Chargeable----Total being 115:15:3:0 and find a Ballance due from Said Temple as Treasurer aforesaid to said Temple was Chargeable--L 33:13:4:2 Besides what is yet Remaining to be Collected from the Constables afore named being....13:6:2:2 Which makes the whole Ballance to be.....L 46:19:7:0

Treasurers discharge for 1769

Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Timothy Brigham) Selectmen
John Fay) For said
Jona Ward) Southborough
Manassah Stow)

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Worcester Ss To Mr Asahel Moore one of the Constables of the Town of Southborough in Said County Greeting

SS In his Majesties Name you are hereby Required to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town Qualified for Voting in Town Meetings to Assemble and Meet at the Publick Meeting House in said Town on Munday the Sixth Day of March next at Twelve of the Clock at noon to act on the following Articles viz

I To chuse a Moderator for said meeting
2 To chuse Town Officers for the year ensuing as the Law Directs
3 To chuse men to Inspect the Killing of Deer Contrary to Law
4 To chuse Grave Diggers a Pound Keeper allso some person to sweep the Meeting House and to Lock & unlock the Door thereof
5 To agree upon and grant a sum of money to Repair Highways in said Town the year ensuing
6 To chuse a committee to hire a Schoolmaster for said Town the year ensuing
7 To agree upon and grant a sum of money to pay a schoolmaster and other Town Debts the year ensuing
8 To consider of & allow any Town Debts that Shall be brought in by those to whom the Town is justly Indebted
9 To See if the Town will Determine by Vote to Let their Swine run at large the year ensuing
10 To see if the Town will determine by Vote to remove the School into the Several parts of the Town the year ensuing as they did tne last year
11 To chuse a Committee to Squadron out the School if they See cause
12 For the Town to Examine and Determine upon by vote the list of Jurors that Shall be laid before them by the Selectmen
13 To See if the Town Will grant liberty to the Widow Eunice Hill to put a glass window into the Southside of the meeting House against the pew that was her honoured Father Timo Johnson She doing ye Same as the Town when met Shall direct
14 To See if the Town will Make a grant of money to Rachel Newton Junr for a Recompence for 57 rods of Lands taken from her by a Town way that was laid out by the Selectmen Novr 22d: 1766 from the House of Mr James Bridges Northward till it comes into a Town Road which 57 Rods was by Said Town Accepted to be a part of said way March 9: 1767

15 To See what the Town Will Do Relating to Eunice Amsden who has been lately Sent from Rutland District to this Town by a Warrant Dated Jany the 14: 1769 Signed by Timo Paine of Worcester in Sd County Esqr & to pass any legall Vote or Votes relating to sd affair that Shall be necessary
16 To See if the Town will grant a Sum of money to Ezra Taylor Esqr to pay Him what the Courts Committee adjudged to be his Damage sustained by laying the County Road through his Land in Said Town
17 To See if the Town will grant a sum of money to Mr Ezekiel Newton to pay him what the Courts Committee adjudged his Damage to be by said County Road being Laid through his land in Said Southborough
18 To See if the Town will Discontinue that part of the Town Road unnecessary to be Kept open Between the School House at the Easterly part of Said Southborough and the place where the Road that leads from David Bruces Southward comes into the County Road Eastward of John Brittans and make Sale of the Same to Ezra Taylor Esqr Mr Manassah Stow & Mr John Brittan viz to each of them that part of said way that Joyns to his Land

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19 To See if the Town Will so far discontinue the open use of and grant to Capt Aaron Fay Aaron Amsden and Benjamin Parker the improvement of the Town way that leads by Said Fays and Amsdens from where it leaves the Road leading from Said Parkers to Nathaniel Joslins to where it enters into the Road that Leads from Said Meeting House to marlborough Westward of said Aaron Amsdens for one year next ensuing they Keeping Suitable gates or Bars for people to pass and repass through and paying to said Town a proper consideration therefor
20 For the Town to Consider of and Determine what Shall be done relating to the support of the widow Susannah Bodingham, which she has requested and to pass any legal vote or votes concerning her being maintained or removed as the Town Shall think proper Hereof fail not and Due Return make unto the Selectmen at or before the time Set for Said meeting Dated at Southborough aforesaid Feby 13: A. D. 1769-

By order of the Selectmen
Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough March 6: 1769 In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned the Qualified voters in Said Southbo By posting up a Notification agreeable to the Vote of the Town passed in the year A D 1759

Asahel Moore Constable for said Southbo

Worcester Ss Southborough March 6th 1769 The Town of said Southboro being met the Warrant with the Return red the meeting Opened then proceeded to act viz

On Article I Chose Ezra Taylor Esqr Moderator for Said Meeting

On Article II Chose Viz.

Tythingmen (1 William Brigham
(2 William Onthank
(3 Elijah Brigham

Wardens (Seth Newton
(Josiah Fay

Selectmen
1 Colo Tim Brigham
2 Colo Ezra Taylor
3 Lt Nathan Brigham
4th Manassah Stow
5 Jona Ward

Town Clerk
Jona Ward

Town Treasurer
John Temple

Constables
Samuel Phillips
Elijah Bellows

Voted to chuse the rest of the Town Officers by hand Vote

Assessors
1st Jona Ward
2nd Asahel Moore
3d John Temple

Hogreeves
Ezra Taylor Junr
Capt Nathan Brigham
John Witherbee
Joshua Newton

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Field Drivers
Benjamin Parker
John Wetherbee

Deer Reeves
Seth Newton
Asahel Mathews

Surveyors of highways and Collectors of the money granted therefor
1st Moses Bruce
2 Elijah Brigham
3d Mark Collins
4 Daniel Johnson

Sealers of Leather
Ezekiel Newton
William Winchester

Overseers of the Poor
Voted not to chose any

Fence Viewers
1st John Brittan
2nd Ezekiel Newton

Committee to Hire a Schoolmaster
Manassah Stow
Dean John Fay
Nathan Bridges

Voted to adjourn this meeting unto Fryday next at 12 of the clock at noon to meet at this Place
Southborough Fryday March 12th 1769 The Town of Said Southborough being met agreeable to the adjournment the meeting opened the Town proceeded to act
Lieut Nathan Brigham Refused to Serve as a Selectmen and then voted to Excuse him and returned him thanks for his past Services
Capt Nathan Brigham)
Ezra Taylor Junr.) Refused to Serve as Hogreeves
It was put to vote to See if the Town would Excuse Capt Nathan Brigham from Serving as Hogreeves and it pass in the negative
It was put to vote to See if the Town will Excuse Ezra Taylor Jr. from Serving as Hogreeves and it past in the Negative
The Town Voted to Chuse a Selectmen in the Room of Lt Nathan Brigham who had Resigned

Selectman
Lt William Collins

Grave Diggers
Nathan Bridges
Jotham Bellows

Pound Keeper Coll.
Timo Brigham for the year ensuing

Door Keeper & Sweeper of the Meeting House.....Chose Moses Bellows to Sweep the Meeting House and to Lock and unlock the Door thereof the year Ensuing

Granted L 50 to repair Highways.....Granted Fifty Pounds lawful money to Repair Highways in said Town the year Ensuing and order that the same be assessed according to Law

L 40 is Granted to pay a Schoolmaster etc....Granted the Sum of Forty Pounds

lawful money for paying a Schoolmaster and other Town Debts the year ensuing and order That the Same be assest according to Law

Granted to Lt. William Collins for taking care of Nathanael Beels a. d. 1768----L 1:11:8¼

Granted to William Collins) overseers of the poor)
Nathan Bridges) for Providing necessarys) 1:8:6¼
& Solomon Newton) for Nathanael Beels a. d. 1768)

Granted to Lt. John Lyscom his account for)
Disburstments for Nathanael Beels a d 1768) 0: 16:0

Granted to Peter Brewer the Ballance of his account Dated March 20th 1769 for Boarding and taking Care of Nathanael Beels the year past 6:5:4¼

Granted Ezra Taylor Esqr for taking the valuation and making Rates a: d: 1768.....2:16:0

Granted John Fay his account for taking the Valuation and Making Rates in 1768.....1:17:9½

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On Article 9th ' Voted to let the Swine run at large the year Ensuing

On Article 10 ' Voted to move the School into the Several parts of the Town

To begin at the East End)
Then to the South Side) of said town the year Ensuing
Then to the West End)
And then to the Center)

On Article 11 1st ' Voted to Chuse a Committee to Squadron out the School in Said Town according to the pay the year Ensuing

2d Voted to Chuse Four Committee Men for the Same

1 Chose Jona Ward)
2 Manasah Stow) Committe to Squadron out the School
3 Josiah Fay)
4 David Newton)

On Article 12 ' Laid the list of Jurors before the Town which by vote was accepted and a Number Selected out according to Law for the Superior Court

On Article 13 ' Voted liberty to the widow Eunice Hill to put a Glass Window into the South side of said meeting house against her late Father Timothy Johnson Pew She puting in said window of the same Dimentions and same sort of glass that Benja Mixers Window in his Pew in Said House is of and upon her own Cost and Charge

On Article 14th ' Granted Rachel Newton Junr for pay for 57 rods of Land Taken from Her by the Road leading from James Bridges Northward and which was accepted March 9th 1767 viz Six Shillings L 0:6:0

On Article'
15th Voted' Voted to chuse agents to make full enquiry into and See if by any legal Means we can get rid of Supporting Eunice Amsden lately Sent to this Town from Rutland District by a Warrant Dated Jany 14: 1769 and signed by Timothy Paine Esqr of Worcester and to take and use all proper Care and proceed in all & every Suitable & legall way to get her finally removed from Said Southbo and get all the Cost and Charge Said Town of Southbo have & Shall be at for her Support and in Consequence of her being brought as aforesaid Reimbursted to Said Southbo voted & chose Jonas Ball Manasseh Stow and John Lyscom they or either one or two of them to Transact fully in the Capacity of Agent or Agents in the affair aforesaid to final end of said affair

Agents Jonas Ball Manasah Stow John Lyscom concerning Eunice Amsden

On Article'
16 ' Granted Ezra Taylor Esqr for his Damages Sustained L 8:0:0 D by the County Road being laid thro' his land in Sd Town
On Article'
17 ' Granted to Ezekiel Newton for his Damages Sustained L 1:0:0 D By the Said County Road

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On Article'
18 ' Voted to Discontinue that Part of the Townway Unnecessary to be Kept open as mentioned in Article 18 and Granted Said Discontinued Road so far as it joyns to the Lands of Manaseh Stow and Col. Taylor Between the School House at the Easterly end of Said Town & Stoney Brook Below Col. Taylors viz. to Manassah Stow his Hiers and assigns forever that part adjoyning to his Land and to Ezra Taylor Esqr. his Heirs and assigns forever that part adjoyning to his Land as a Recompence in part for the Land taken from them by the County Road
On Article'
19 ' Voted not to Discontinue the Road leading by Aaron Fays and Aaron Amsdens
On Article'
20 ' Voted that the Widow Susanah Boddingham be Supported at the Cost of the Town of Southbo untill the Selectmen of Said Southbo can be Satisfied where She may & can be Legally Removed to Thereby Vote the Said Meeting was Dissolved
Attest Ezra Taylor Moderator
Recorded by Jonathan Ward Town Clerk
The afore named persons who have this Instant March been chosen to Office and who accepted of the same and of whom an Oath or Oaths be Law was required (Excepting Ezra Taylor Esqr.) Took the Same which was administered by the afore named Ezra Taylor Esqr.
Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough March 17 1769 Pursuant to the Law of this Province We the Subscribers have chosen Mr David Newton of said Southbo to be Sealer of Weights & Measures in Sd Southbo the year ensuing and until another is chosen and Sworn in his Room
Timothy Brigham) Selectmen
Ezra Taylor) For Sd

Manassah Stow) Southbo
William Collins)
Jona Ward)

Samuel Phillips) Constables for
Elijah Bellows) Sd Southbo

Worcester Ss Southborough March 17: 1769 David Newton being chosen Sealer of Weights and Measures as above mentioned took the Oath relating to the bills of Credit of the Neighboring Government as also the Oath of office Coram Ezra Taylor Just Pais.
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

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We the Subscribers Selectmen of the Towns of Marlborough and Southborough have met agreeable to appointment and have Perambulated the lines and renewed the bounds Between the said Towns Excepting the most Easterly bounds at Framingham line which We could not agree where the True Bounds was as witness our hand

Ephraim Brigham) Selectmen
Uriah Brigham) from Marlboro

Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Manassah Stow) Selectmen
Jona Ward) from Southbo

To the Selectmen of Southbo Gent. these may Certify you that We have appointed Capt jonas Brigham one of our Selectmen & Ensn Jabez Snow to Joyn with you to Perambulate the Line between our Town and yours Westbo April ye 3d 1769 pr order of the Selectmen

Jona Bond Town Clerk

April 24: 1769 We the Subscribers being duly appointed have this day Perambulated the line and Renewed the bounds between Westborough and Southborough to the satisfaction of both Parties

Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk (Jonas Brigham
(Jabez Snow for
(Westborough
(Timothy Brigham
(Jona Ward
(William Collins
(for Southborough

Worcester Ss to Messrs Samuel Phillips and Elijah Bellows Constables for the Town of Southborough Greeting.....

SS In his Majesties Name you are hereby required forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in Said Town within your Respective Districts who are Qualified agreeable to Royal Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representative to Assemble and meet at the Publick meeting house in Said Town on Munday the 22nd day of May Currant at one of the clock in the afternoon of said Day-
I For the Town to Elect and depute one or more persons legally Qualified to Represent them in the great and General Court or assembly appointed to be held and kept for his Majesties Service at the Court House in Boston in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England on Wednesday the 31 day of this Instant May at nine of the clock in the morning & eo De Die in Diem during their Session or Sessions if they think fit & if not then to make answer to the Precept in Some other way

II To chuse a Moderator for the Remaining work of Sd meeting
III To see if the Town will make a grant of a Sum of money as a further Recompence to Ezekiel Newton for the Land that was taken from him by the County Road lately laid thro' his Land in Sd Town
4 To See if the Town will abate and sink the Rates Set on the Pole and Estate of Joshua Lock late of Sd Town Decd as is contained in Constable Balls list of Assesments in the year a. d. 1767
5 To See if the Town will Discontinue the Cross Road leading out of the Road that passeth by Asahel Moore to Marlborough Westward to Edward Newtons and make Sale of the Same to Said Newton He paying a Suitable Consideration to Sd Town therefor
Hereof fail not and due return make of this warrant & your proceedings there with unto the Selectmen at or before the time appointed for said meeting etc dated at Said Southborough May 15th a. d. 1769

Signed by ordr of the Selectmen

Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough May 22: 1769

In obedience to the within

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within Warrant I have Warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants agreeable to the within written

Elijah Bellows) Constable For Southboro

Worcester Ss In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned the Inhabitants and Freeholders in my District to attend this meeting according to the Time and Place within mentioned

Samuel Phillips
Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss Southbo May 22d 1769 The Town of Southbo aforesaid being met Legally the Precept for a Representative the Warrants with the return thereon read the meeting opened then proceeded to act Voted to Chuse a Representative
Chose Timothy Brigham Esqr for the Representative
On Article'
II ' Chose Col Ezra Taylor Esqr Moderator of the Meeting for the Remaining Work of Said Meeting
On Article'
III ' Voted to Ezekiel Newton one Pound L. M. as an additional Recompence to what was heretofore granted for his Damage Sustained by the County Road being laid thro his land Sometime past in Sd Southbo and is in full for the Same
On Article'
IV ' Voted to abate Seven Shillings & nine pence that was set in Constable Balls Rate list on the Pole and Estate of Joshua Lock late of Said Town Dect a. d. 1767
On Article'
V ' Voted to discontinue and convey to Edward Newton his Heirs & assigns forever all the Road be it more or less that leads (out of the Road runing from Asahel Moores to Marlbo:) Westward by said Edwards till it enters into the Road that leads from Marlboro to William Winchesters of said Southbo said Edward runing all risk about geting possesion of the Same and Save Said Southbo harmless and free from all cost that may arise by Disputes and lawsuits etc about the same and the Said Edward paying said Southbo six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence lawful money which sum Sd Edward gave his note for to John Temple as Town Treasurer for Sd Southborough to pay him or his Successor in Said office of Treasurer

in Six months to the Towns acceptance
Then by vote the meeting was Dissolved
Attt Ezra Taylor Moderar
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss To Messrs Samuel Phillips and Elijah Bellows Constables of the Town of Southborough in said County Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby required forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town within your Respective Districts who are Qualified for Voting in Town Meetings to Assemble and meet at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Munday the Eleventh Day of this Instant September at two of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day to Act on the following articles viz.
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Viz I To Chuse a Moderator for Said meeting
II To agree upon and grant a Sum of money to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone of Said Town his present years Salary ending the 8th day of June next
III To See what the Town will do relating to the Support or removal of the widow Susannah Bodingham now resident in Said and pass any Legall Vote or Votes concerning the same that the Town when met Shall think proper
Hereof fail not and due return make unto the Selectmen at or Before the Time Set for said meeting Dated at Southborough aforesaid Sepr 2d 1769
Signed by order of the Selectmen pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr 11: 1769 I have Executed the within warrent as directed thereby Samuel Phillips Constable of Sd Southbo
Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr 11: 1769 I have Executed the within Written Warrant according to the Direction of the same
Elijah Bellows) Constable of Sd Southbo
Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr 11: 1769 The Town of Southborough aforesaid being Legally met the warrants with the return red the meeting Opened proceeded to Act viz:
I Chose Ezra Taylor Esqr for Moderator of Sd Meeting
II Voted and Granted the Sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence lawfull money to be assessed on the Poles and Rateable Estate in Said Town to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone his present years Salary ending the 8th day of June next which passed unanimously
III Voted that the widow Susannah Bodingham now resident in said Southborough be removed to the Town of Needham in order to be Supported by said Needham
Lastly Voted the Said Meeting be Dissolved which is accordingly done
Attt Ezra Taylor Moderator
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Mr Stones Rec't for his Salery in ad. 1768

Southborough Feby 10th 1770 Then Recd of Mr John Temple Town Treasurer of Southborough the Sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence in full of my Salary for the year 1768 ending June 8th as also the full of the wood Rate for the Same year as witness my hand Nathan Stone
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Southborough Feby 12: 1770
having Examined the Accounts of Mr John Temple as Treasurer for
said Town for the year ending March next find that he has been
chargeable with the Sum of one hundred & seventy pounds fourteen
shillings three pence lawfull money L 170:14:3d
And that said Temple has produced proper
vouchers shewing that he has paid one hundred 118:0:5:3
Treas- eighteen pounds five pence three farthings lawful
urer's money
discharge And there now remains fifty two pounds thirteen
for the shillings & nine pence one farthing lawful money
year 1770 as a Ballance for which Temple is accountable a part
of which is yet to collect exclusive of what is assessed
for the year 1769

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
Recorded by Jona Ward Ezra Taylor) for said
Town Clerk William Collins) Southborough
Jona Ward)

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Worcester Ss To Messrs Samuel Phillips & Elijah Bellows Constables
of the Town of Southborough in Said County or Either of them
Greeting
L a. In his Majestys Name you are hereby required to Warn all the
Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town Qualified for
voting in Town Meetings to assemble & meet at the Publick Meeting
House in Said Town on Munday the Fifth day of March next at twelve
of the clock at noon to act on the following articles viz
I To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
2 To chuse Town Officers for the year Ensuing as the law Directs
3 To chuse men to Inspect the Killing of Deer Contrary to Law
4 To chuse grave Diggers a Pound Keeper and some person to Sweep
the meeting house & to lock & unlock the Door of the Same the year
Ensuing
5 To agree upon & grant a Sum of money to repair Highways in said
Town the year ensuing
6 To chuse a committee to Hire a School master in Said Town the
year Ensuing
7 To agree upon and grant a sum of money to pay a Schoolmaster and
other Town Debts the year ensuing
8 To consider of and allow any Town Debts that Shall be brought
in by those to whom the Town is Justly Indebted
10 To See if the Town will Determine by vote to move the School
into the Several Parts of the Town the year Ensuing as they did the
last year or other ways determine thereupon
9 To See if the Town will Determine by vote to let their Swine run
at Large the year ensuing
11 To chuse a committee to Squadron out the School if they See
Cause
12 To See if the Town will Discontinue the South End of the Road
adjoyning Westerly on the easterly end or side of the land that Mr
Wm Lewis late of Said Southborough Died seizd of Viz. Beginning at Fra-
mingham Town line, and runing Northerly So far and no farther then Said
Road joyns to the land aforesaid being about twenty five rods in
length and two rods wide and make Sale of the same to James Lewis
His Heirs and assigns He said James paying to Said Town a valuable
consideration for the Same

13 To See if the Town will except of a Bridleway laid out by the Selectmen from the Bridleway leading from William Collins to James Lewis Southeasterly through the land of Said Collins and the land of Seth Newtons now Dwelling house southward at a pair of Bars about thirty Rods southerly of said Newtons House aforesaid

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14 To See if the Town will make a grant of money unto Mr John Mixer of Framingham as a Compensation for the Damage He Sustained by the County Road being laid through his land in Said Southborough

15 To See if the Town will grant a Sum of money to Mr John Britain as a Recompence for the Damage He Sustained by the County Road being laid through his land in Sd Southborough

16 To See if the Town will Discontinue and make Sale of the old Town way leading from Stoney Brook by where the old Fulling Mill Stood into the Town way leading from David Bruces Southward to Joel Newtons except that part of the same which is taken in by the County Road lately laid out by Said Johns, now Dwelling House viz and make sale of it to Said John Britain His Heirs etc He paying the Town a proper Consideration for the Same

17 To See if the Town will Discontinue the Open up of the Road leading Westerly from the Road that leads by the now Dwelling House of John Lyscom Northward to the House where his late Honoured Father lived and Extending from thence....Northwesterly as far as his land lies on said Road in Said Town and lease the Same to Said John for one year next ensuing. He paying to Said Town a Valuable Consideration for the Same

18 To See if the Town will Chuse Collectors to Collect the money assessed on the Poles and Estates in Said Town of Southborough the year ensuing and grant a sum of money to pay said Collectors for the same. And also if the Town See fit to Grant a sum of money to those or the Heirs of those that have Served as Constables in Said Town of Southborough heretofore as a proper compensation for their Service done in Collecting the Several Sums they Collected for Said Town

19 To See if the Town will Discontinue a part of the Road leading by and adjoyning to the land of Asahel Mathews that was lately Possessed by Alexander Newton Southwesterly of John Bents in Said Town and make Sale of the Same to Said Asahel Mathews His Heirs etc He said Asahel paying to said Town a suitable consideration for the same Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of said Town of Southborough at or Before the Time appointed for Said meeting Dated at Southborough aforesaid Feby the Twelfth Day anno Domini 1770 By order of the Selectmen Jona Ward

Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough March 5: 1770 In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned all the Qualified voters as within Directed by Posting up a Notification Agreeable to the Town Vote

Samuel Phillips) Constable of Said Southborough

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Worcester Ss Southborough March 5: 1770 The Town of Southborough being met the Warrant with the return red the meeting opened proceeded to act

1 Chose Col Timo Brigham Moderator for Said meeting

Wardens
1 Timo Brigham Esqr
2 Asahel Mathews

Selectmen
1 Timo Brigham Esqr
2 Jonathan Ward
3 Manasah Stow & Excused by vote
4th Lt Wm Collins
5 Lt John Lyscom
6th Lt Josiah Fay

Town Clerk
Jonathan Ward

Town Treasurer
John Temple

Constables
William Onthank
Lt Josiah Fay

Assessors
Jonathan Ward
John Temple
Asahel Moore

Voted to Chuse the Rest of the officers by hand Vote

Tythingmen
Lt William Collins
Solomon Newton
Lt John Lyscom

Field Drivers
Joseph Newton
Samuel Phillips

Deer Reeves
Asahel Mathews
Seth Newton Excd & James Lewis chose the 9 Instant

Surveyors of Highways & Collectors of the money granted for the Same
John Newton & accepted in his room Joseph Newton on the 9th Instant
John Vonce
Nathaniel Joslin Excd
James Bridges

Sealers of Leather
Ezekiel Newton
William Winchester

Voted not to chuse overseers

Fence Viewers
Elijah Brigham
Hezekiah Fay

Hog Reeves
Phineas Bruce
Nathan Brigham Junr
Isaac Johnson Excd
Asahel Mathews

Committe to Here School-master
Elijah Bellows
Nathan Bridges
William Brigham

Grave Diggers
Nathan Bridges
Jotham Bellows

Pound Keeper
Timothy Brigham Esqr.

Voted and Chose Moses Bellows to Lock and unlock the Meeting House Doors in Said Town Sweep the Said House the year ensuing----
Voted to adjourn this meeting untill next Fryday being the ninth Day of this Instant March at one of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day & then to meet at the Meeting House in Southborough aforesaid

Southborough March 9th 1770 The Town of Southbo: being met agreeable to the adjournment the meeting opened proceeded to act viz. Voted to Excuse Isaac Johnson from Serving as a Hogreef
Deereeve in the room of Seth Newton) James Lewis Surveyor of Highways & Collector of the Money for the same in the Sted of) Capt Nathan Brigham in the Nathanael Joslin) room or Stead of Nathanael Joslin

Voted to Excuse John Newton from Serving in his own Person as a Surveyor of highways & collector of the money granted for highways and accepted of Joseph Newton to serve in his Sted

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On Article 5 Granted to repair highways L 60:0:0 ' Voted and Granted to repair Highways in Said Town the year ensuing Sixty Pounds lawful money-

L 40:0:0 Granted to pay Debts ' Voted and Granted the Sum Forty pounds lawful money to pay a School master and other Town Debts the year ensuing

On Article 8 granted ' Granted to William Collins for his care of and providing for Eunice Amsden in a. d. 1769..) L 3:6:0

Granted to Wm Collins for providing for) Nathanael Beels 1769.....) 0:12:6¼

Granted Timo Brigham his acct for Supporting) the widow Bodingham 1769.....) 3:11:4

Granted to Wm Collins for providing for the) Widow Bodingham.....) 1:2:7¼

Granted to Asahel Moore his acct. for making) Rates & drawing Warrents.....) 15:0

Granted to Jona Ward his act. for making Rates) and provided for the Widow Bodingham and Nathl) Beels the year past.....) 2:14:6¼

Granted Peter Brewer his acct. for keeping) Nathanael Beals to this ninth day of this) Instant March.....) 4:7:8¾

Granted Moses Bellows for Sweeping the Meeting) House etc.....) 0:15:0

Granted to John Temple for Serving as Town) Treasurer--Two year.....) 0:16:0

Granted Alexr Newton his act. for geting &) providing for Widw Bodingham.....) 12:0

L 18:12:8½

On 9 Article ' Voted to let the Swine in Said Town run at large the year ensuing

On Article 10th School ' Voted to move the School in the Several parts of the Town Viz
To Begin at the South Side)
Then at the Center next at) of Said Town the Ensuing Year

the East and and then at the
West End

On Article 11 ' The vote passed in the Negative

On Article 12 ' The vote passed in the Negative

On Article 13 ' The following return was made to the Town viz.
Southborough Feby 2d 1770 Laid out by the Selectmen of Said Town a Bridle Road or way in sd Town one rod and half wide viz beginning at a Corner or bend of a Bridle way that leads from Lt Wm Collins now Dwelling House to the now Dwelling House of James Lewis in Said Town Said Bend or corner being at the Southeasterly Corner of a Stone wall Southeasterly of the Barn of Said Collins from thence it runs Southeasterly near as the path is now trod to the Northeasterly corner of a Stone wall at the northeasterly corner of Sd Williams Field and from thence it runs Southeasterly to a black Oak Tree Standing in a Fence at the Northeasterly end of a Stone wall and then running out of the land of Said Collins and enters into and runs Southeasterly where people commonly trod and pass thro' the pasture land of Seth Newton and enters into the Town way at a pair of Bars near about thirty rods Southerly of Sd Newton now Dwelling House .....

Bridle Road from Wm Collins to Seth Newton

Southborough March 9th 1770 the aforegoing return of the Bridle way was made to the Town aforesaid and by a vote of said Town was approved of & accepted and said way Established as laid out .....

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
Ezra Taylor) of Said
Jona Ward) Southbo
Manasseh Stow)

On Article 14th 20/ granted John Mixer

Voted and Granted to John Mixer of Framingham one pound lawful money as a Recompence for the Damage he Sustained by the County Road being laid thro' his land in Said Southborough

On Articles 15 & 16 ' Voted and Granted to John Britain Three pounds lawful money & to Discontinue the old Road leading from Stoney Brook where the old Fulling Mill Stood into the Road leading from David Bruces towards Joel Newtons except that part of the Same that is taken in by the County Road last laid out thro' his land in said Southborough by said Johns now Dwelling House and grant the Same to Said John Britain his Heirs and assigns forever as a full recompence for the Damage he said Sustained by the Said County Road being laid out as aforesaid

L 3:0:0 Granted John Britain as also the old Road

Article 17' was passed by and it was agreed not to act upon it

On Article 18th ' All the votes passed in the negative

Article 19th' Was passed by and agreed not to be acted upon
Lastly the meeting aforesaid was by Vote of Said Town disolved

Attest Timo Brigham) Moderator of Said Meeting
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

The aforenamed persons who have this Instant March been chosen into office & who accepted of the Same and of whom an oath or oaths was required by law had the said Oaths relating to their Respective offices administered to them by Ezra Taylor Esqr.
Attest Jonathan Ward Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss Southborough March 9th 1770 Pursuant to the Law of this Province We the Subscribers have chosen Mr David Newton of Southborough aforesaid to be Sealer of Weights and Measures in Said Southbo the year ensuing and untill another is chosen and Sworn in his Room

Timothy Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) of Southbo
Wm Collins) aforesaid
John Lyscom)
Josiah Fay)

Josiah Fay) Constables for
William Onthank) Said Town

The above named David Newton had the oaths required by law for him to take in order for his Serving in the aforesaid office of Sealer of Weights & Measures administered to him by Ezra Taylor Esqr.
Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk
Recorded by Jonathan Ward Town Clerk

Meeting April 10: 1770

Worcester Ss To Messrs. Josiah Fay & William Onthank Constables of the Town of Southborough Greeting
SS In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required Forthwith to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants in Said Town within your Respective Districts who are Qualified to Vote in Town Meetings to assemble and Meet at the Publick Meeting House in Said Southborough on Tuesday the Tenth Day of this Instant April at two of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day to act on the following Article viz
I To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
II To hear a Coppy of a Petition Exhibited to the Honourable Court of general Sessions of the peace began and held in Boston in the County of Suffolk on the first Tuesday of Jany anno Domini 1770 by Josiah Newall Timothy Newall and Seth Wilson all the Town of Needham in the county of Suffolk aforesaid and called in Said Petition the Majority of the Selectmen and overseers of the Poor of the same Town of Needham in which Petition they Say that one Susannah Bodingham was illegally removed from the Town of Southborough aforesaid to said Needham
III For Said Town of Southborough to Consider of determine and act there upon and to pass any legall Vote or Votes concerning or relating to Said affair or the Premises that (& as) they Shall when met think & determine to be proper

IV

IV To See if the Town of Southbo aforesaid will consider of determine and act upon and pass any legall vote or votes Resolve or Resolves that may be proper and suitable whereby to ascertain our Invaluable Rights and Priviledges the Incroachments made on the Same the Embarrassments on Trade; and to See if the Said Town of Southborough will approve of the nonimportation agreement made and come into By the Majority of the Merchants in the Town of Boston and elsewhere and use their greatest efforts in a constitutional way to Support the cause of liberty and religion Hereof fail not & make due return of this warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Town of Southborough at or before the Time appointed for Said Meeting Dated at Southborough aforesaid April 6th Day anno Domini 1770

By order of the Selectmen

Jona Ward Town Clerk

In Obedience to the within Warrant I have Warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Duly Qualified for Voting according as the Law Directs Southborough April the 10th 1770 Josiah Fay Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss April 10 1770 In obedience to the within Written Warrant I Have warned the Freeholders & Inhabitants refered to as directed

William Onthank
Constable of Southbo

Worcester Ss Southborough April 10 1770 The Town of Southborough being met the Warrant with the return red the meeting opened then proceeded to act
I Chose Isaac Johnson Moderator of Said Meeting

On Article' II ' Red the coppy of the Town of Needham's Petition Concerning the Widow Bodingham

On Article' III ' Voted to make answer to and Defence against the Petition Exhibited by the Town of Needham to the Court of General Sessions of the peace held in Worcester by an adjournment on Tuesday the first Day of March 1770 against the Town of Southborough aforesaid

Agents Against Needham 1770

2dly Voted to Chuse Agents to Manage the Affair for the Town of Southborough aforesaid
3dly Voted to Chuse three Agents to Transact Manage and pursue the above affair and that they three or either one or two of them Shall have full power to pursue the above affair to final end
4thly Voted that Jona Ward be one of the agents Above Refered to
5thly Voted that Isaac Johnson be another of the Agents
6thly Voted that William Collins be another agent
7th Voted to excuse Isaac Johnson from serving as Agent
8thly Voted that Capt Aaron Fay be an Agent in the Room of Isaac Johnson who is Excused by Vote

On Article'
IV ' 1st Voted to act on the fourth Article
2dly Voted to defer Acting any further at this time on this 4 Article and adjourn this meeting and the Rest of the proceedings of the Same unto the fifteenth Day of May next at three of the clock in the afternoon on Said Day and then to meet at this place & to act on Said Article as Said Town of Southbo Shall See Cause

Meeting on April 10 1770

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

Worcester Ss Southborough May 15th 1770 The Town of Southbo aforesaid being met on an adjournment as Voted proceeded in ordr to act Viz the Vote being put to See if Sd Town would act any further on the IV article relating to the Nonimportation agreement and is past in the negative
The Vote being put to See if the Town will Vote to Dissolve this meeting and it passed in the Negative
Lastly the Moderator dissolved the meeting

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator
Recorded By Jona Ward Town Clerk

May Warrant 1770

Worcester Ss To Messrs Josiah Fay and William Onthank Constables of the Town of Southborough in the County aforesaid Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby required Forthwith To Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in Sd Town who are Qualified Agreeable to Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative to Assemble and Meet at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Tuesday the fifteenth Day of this Instant May at one of the Clock in the afternoon on Sd day
I For Sd Town to Elect and Depute One or more persons Legally Qualified to Represent them in the Great & General Court or Assembly appointed to be convened held and kept for his Majestys Service at Harvard College in Cambridge in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England upon Wednesday the thirtieth Day of May Instant at nine of the clock in the morning and to de Die in Diem during their Session or Sessions if said Southbo think fit and if not then to answer the Precept Some other way
II To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining work of Said Meeting---

May Warrant 1770

III To See if the Town of Southbo aforesaid will grant or ordr a Sum of money to be paid out of the Treasury of said Town to Mr John James of Said Southbo as a Recompence for the land that was taken from Him by a Road that was laid out two rods wide and eleven rods in length thro the land in Sd Town on April 7th 1767 and accepted on March 8: 1768
IV For the Town of Southbo aforesaid to Grant or ordr the payment of a Sum of money out of the Treasury of said Southbo to Mr John Lyscom of Sd Southbo as a Recompence for Fortytwo rod of land, taken from him by a Road that was laid out thro his land in Said Southbo on April 10 1767 and accepted (as a way) on the 8 Day of March 1768
V For the Town of Southbo aforesaid to Vote their Acceptance of a list of Jurors to be Laid before them by the Selectmen and to Separate One Quarter part of the Number in said list for the Superior Court
VI To See if the Town of Southbo aforesaid will Discontinue and

make sale of So much of the Road leading from John Bents to John Lyscoms as to leave the Road But two Rod wide viz to make Sale of the same to Isaac Johnson Josiah Fay and Asahel Mathews their Heirs & assigns they paying Said Southbo a Suitable Consideration for the Same--
VII To See if said Southborough Will Sell the hind Seat and ground Said Seat is on in the mens & womens front gallery in said Meeting House to a Suitable Number of persons inclining to buy they paying a Suitable Consideration for the Same
VIII To hear and allow the accompt of the agents viz Jona Ward William Collins and Capt. Aaron Fay Chosen April 10th 1770 to appear at Boston and Manage in Behalf of said Southbo against the Town of Needham concerning the Support of the widow Susanna Bodingham and order payment of the Same
Hereof fail not and Make due Return of the Warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Southbo on or before the time appointed for said Meeting Dated at Southbo aforesaid May 9: 1770

By order of the Selectmen
pr Jono Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough May 14: 1770 In Obedience to the within Warrant I have Executed the Same as directed by said Warrant
William Onthank Constable of Said Southboro

In Obedience to this Warrant I have warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualified to Vote as the Law Directs.
Josiah Fay Constable for Southborough

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May Meeting 1770

Worcester Ss Southbo May 15: 1770 The Town of Southbo aforesaid being met the meeting Legally opened proceeded
I The Vote being put to See if Sd Town will Send a Representative the year ensuing it past in the Negative
II Chose Timo Brigham Esqr Moderator
On Article'
III ' Voted & granted to John James as a Recompence for land taken from him by a Road accepted) 0:6:0
March the 8: 1768.....)
On Article'
IV ' Voted & granted to John Lyscom as pay for land taken from him by a Road accepted March 1768) 0:12:0
V Voted & accepted of a List of Jurors laid before the Said Town By the Selectmen and Separated one Quarter part of the number as the law directs----
On VI '
Article ' The Following returns were made by the Selectmen of Sd Town and Accepted Viz------
The Selectmen of Southbo having by Desire viewed the Northside of the Road leading from Lt John Lyscoms to to John Bents where it Passeth by the land of Mr Josiah Fay do Report that to Discontinue & make sale of some of the said Road to Sd Fay will not discommode the publick Viz to begin at the Southwesterly corner of said Fay's land and runing easterly 45 rods to a white oak Tree in Said Fays fence on the Northside of Said Road So as to take off one Quarter of an acre of off Said Road on the Northside of the Same

as Set out by heaps of Stones this day made as witness our hand May 15: 1770

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) of Said
Wm Collins) Southborough
John Lyscom)

¼ acre of land sold to Josiah Fay for 1¾

Voted to Discontinue one Quarter of an acre of the Road leading from John Lyscom to John Bents where it passeth by the land of Josiah Fay and make sale of the same according to the return now made by the Selectmen of said Town to Josiah Fay his Heirs and assigns forever He paying Sd Town 1¾ for the Same which He paid Down to the Treasurer immediately and is hereby discharged

60 rods of Land Sold to Asahel Mathews for 25/

The Selectmen of the Town of Southborough being Desired by Mr Asahel Mathews have viewed the Road leading from Mr John Lyscoms to John Bents wheresaid Road passeth by his land that he purchased of Alexander Newton & report that to Discontinue and make sale of a part of the same to said Mathews will not Discommode the publick Viz begining at a heap of Stones on the northSide of sd Road four rods northerly of a walnut Tree which is the Northeasterly corner of the land Isaac Johnson Bought of Shadrack Hill thence runing easterly five rods to a heap of Stones on the north Side of Said Road three Rods from an Oak Stump in John Bents Fence on the other side of a Road thence Northeasterly nineteen Rods to a heap of Stones on the Westerly Side of the Road two rods westerly of John Bents Wall on the Easterly Side of Said Road then Runing Northerly by said Road thirteen Rods to a heap of Stones Being the old Bounds of Said Mathews land then runing Northerly Sixteen rods to a heap of Stones taking said Road Sixty rods of land to be Sold if said Town think fit May 15: 1770

Timothy Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) of Said
William Collins) Southbo
John Lyscom)
Josiah Fay)

Voted to Discontinue Sixty rods of the Road leading from John Lyscom to John Bents where it passeth by the land Asahel Mathews bought of Alexander Newton and make sale of the same (as now bounded in the Selectmens return of the Same to Sd Mathews his Heirs and assigns forever repaying Sd Southbo twentyfive Shilling lawful money for the Same which He paid down to the Town Treasurer immediately and is hereby discharged

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May Meeting 1770

The Selectmen of the Town of Southbo having by request of Mr Isaac Johnson Viewed the Town way leading from Lt John Lyscoms towards John Bents where Said Road passeth by the land of Isaac Johnson aforesaid Report that to Discontinue and make Sale of a part of said way to Said Johnson viz begining at a Walnut Stump being the Northeast corner of Lt John Lyscoms land on the Southside of said way thence Extending Easterly ten Rods to a Black Oak Tree thence Easterly to a Walnut Tree thence to a heap of Stones which heap of Stones is 45 rods from the Said Walnut Stump and

leaves a strip of said Road one rod in width to the southerly side of said line thence it runs 28 paces easterly to a heap of stones and a Stump making said Strip two rods wide at the Easterly end including 54 rods of land taken from Said Road &

Land Sold to Isaac Johnson 1770 leaving Said two rod wide Acre 20: rods 0:1:14

Thence easterly 54 rods in length and two rods wide to a heap of Stones two Rods Southerly of a Great White Oak Tree) in Josiah Fays Fence on the Northside of Said road being) 0:2:28 one hundred and eight rod of land taken from Sd Road and) leaves Sd Road full two rods wide all along

thence Easterly 24 rods to a heap of Stones two rods Southerly) of a great high white oak Stump being Mr Josiah Fays South) 0:1:8 east Corner of his land which leaves the Road two rods wide) on the South Side of Sd Fays land

Thence Extending Easterly to & then from a heap of Stones) thirty six rods to another heap of Stones which is two) rods northerly of a Walnut Tree which is the Northeasterly) corner of the land to Johnson Bought of Shadrack Hill and) 0:1:30 leaves the Road two rods wide between the land of) Asahel Mathews and the Boundarys now mentioned) for the new Bounds of the South Side of Sd Road provided) the Sd Town make sale of the south side of the Old Road) which Bound now new made Sets of one Acre and) three Quarters of an acre of land on the Southside) Acre 20 rods to be Sold to Isaac Johnson if the Town think fit) 1:3:6 which we Judge will not Discommode the Publick) May 15: 1770:

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) of Said
Wm Collins) Southbo
Josiah Fay)
John Lyscom)

Voted to Discontinue a part of the Road leading from John Lyscoms to John Bents where it Joyns about 160 rod in length upon land of Sd Johnson and Sell the Said Discontinued part as Set out by

L 3:0:6 d bounds mentioned in the report of the said Selectmen now read to Sd Town viz Sell it to Isaac Johnson his Heirs and assigns forever he paying Sd Town three pounds lawful money for which He gave his note on demand with lawful Interest till paid & payable to John Temple as Town Treasurer & is discharged

On Article VII ' Voted not to act

On Article VIII ' Voted and Granted Jonathan Ward L 5:4:0) L
Voted and Granted William Collins 3:12:3¼) 9:6:8¾
Voted & Granted Capt. Aaron Fay 0:10:5½)
Then by vote the Meeting was Disolved

Attest Timo Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Jonathan Ward Town Clerk

Framingham May 14, 1770 To the Selectmen of Southborough
Gentlemen the time is come about to Perambulate the line between your Town and Framingham These are therefore to desire you to attend Said affair on the 31 Day of May Instant and to meet Such as we Shall appoint at the Dwelling House of Joshua Fairbanks in Said Framingham at Eight of the Clock in the forenoon

pr order of the Selectmen
Josiah Stone Town Clerk

Southborough May 30 1770 To the Selectmen of Framingham Gent the persons appointed to Perambulate with you the line betwixt our Towns are
John Lyscom
Nathan Bridges

By Order of the Selectmen pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

May 31: 1770 We the Subscribers appointed to Perambulate the line betwixt Framingham & Southborough have performed the Service

Ebenezer Hemenway
James Cloyes
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk of Southbo

Worcester Ss To Messrs. Josiah Fay and William Onthank Constables of the Town of Southborough in the County aforesaid Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in Said Town within your Respective Districts who are Qualified to Vote in Town Meetings to assemble and met at the Publick Meeting House in Said Southborough on Munday the twenty-fifth day of this Instant Nine at two of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day to act on the following articles viz:
I To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
II To hear a coppy of a Complaint Exhibited to his Majestys Court of General Sessions of the peace Began and held at Worcester within and for the County of Worcester aforesaid on the Second Tuesday of June Instant by the Selectmen and Overseers of the poor of the Town of Needham in the county of Suffolk relating to & concerning the Removal and Maintanance of One Susannah Bodingham which Susannah the Said Selectmen and Overseers Say has been illegally removed from the Town of Southborough aforesaid to said Needham.
III

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III For the Town of Southborough aforesaid to consider of Determine and act thereon and to pass any legal vote or Votes concerning and relating to said affair or the Premises that (and as) they Shall think and Determine when met to be proper Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant and your proceeding therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Southborough at or Before the time appointed for said Meeting Dated at Southborough aforesaid June 18th Day anno Domini 1770

By order of the Selectmen
Jona Ward
Town Clerk

Worcester Ss In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned all freeholders and Inhabitants Refered to as Directed etc Southbo June 25th 1770 William Onthank Constable for Southbo

Southbo June 23d 1770 I have warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Duly Qualified to Vote in Town Meetings as the Law Directs Josiah Fay Constable For Southborough

Worcester Ss Southborough June 25: a d. 1770 The Town of Southbo aforesaid Being met the Warrants with the return thereof Read the meeting opened proceeded to act Viz
I Chose Isaac Johnson Moderator for said Meeting
II Read ye Complaint of the Town of Needham Exhibited against the Town of Southborough to his Majestys Justices of the Court of General Sessions of the peace began & held at Worcester within & for the County of Worcester on the Second Tuesday of June Instant which Complaint is as follows viz

Worcester Ss To the Honourable his Majestys Justices of the Court of General Sessions of the peace began and held at Worcester within and for the County of Worcester on the Second Tuesday of June A Dom: 1770
The complaint of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Needham in the county of Suffolk humbly Shews that on the thirteenth day of Sepr last Artemas Ward Esqr. one of the Justices of the peace for the county of Worcester did upon Complaint to Him made by the Selectmen of Southborough in the Same County remove one Susannah Bodingham from Southborough aforesd to Needham aforesaid where she has remained ever since at the charge of the same Town and the said Town of Needham has since Expended the Sum of ten pounds for her Relief and Support which Removal your Complainants ever is altogether Unjust and Illegal because they say

Needhams Complaint

1st

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Needhams Complaint about S. Bodingham

1st The Said Selectmen of Southborough in their Complaint aforesaid to the Justice do not allege or Suggest that the Said Susannah is a poor Person Chargeable or likely to become Chargeable to that Town
2ly The Said Susanna at the time of the Removal aforesaid in Fact was not chargeable or likely to become Chargeable to the Sd Town of Southborough: but She had then a Freehold Estate in Said Town whereon She then dwelt more than Sufficient for her Support & Maintenance
3ly The Said Selectmen of Southborough in their Complaint aforesaid do not allege that the Said Susanna was or duly warned to depart Said Town & Caution entered as the Law directs Within Twelve Months after her coming to reside there
4ly The said Susanna in Fact never was warned to depart Said Town & Caution entered as aforesaid
5 The Said Susanna at the time of the Removal aforesaid had continued her residence in Sd Town of Southborough by amore then the Space of Twelve Months next before viz from the year 1742 Untill that time She had not been Warned in Manner as the Law directs to depart and leave that Town whereby She was become and now is the proper Innhabitant of the Said Town of Southborough & that Town by law is obliged to be at all charges for Her Releif &

Support in Case She Stand in Need
6ly The Said Justice did not Sumon or give Notice either to the Said Selectmen of Needham or to the Said Susannah to be present and Shew Cause if any they had why She Should not be Removed as aforesaid nor were either of the said Partys ever heard before the Said Justice previous to the remove aforesd
lastly The Said Justice did never adjudge that the Said Susanna was not the proper Inhabitant of Southborough aforesaid or that She properly belonged to or had her last residence in Needham aforesaid nor did he ever hear and Determine this matter or make any order or adjudication of Settlement or Removal Whatsoever and yet He has issued his Warrants for removing Her and She has accordingly been removed as aforesaid
And all these things the Complainants are ready to Verify wherefore they Pray this Hon-
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Honourable Court to hear & determine upon the Premises and that the aforesaid proceedings of the Said Justice may be Quashed and
Needham's Complaint the Said Susanna be adjudged to be the proper Inhabitant of Southborough aforesd and accordingly be ordered to be removed back thither and that the Said Town of Southbo may be ordered to refund and pay to the Said Town of Needham the Expences they have already been at and may hereafter be at for the relief of the Said Susanna untill the final determination of this Honorable Court upon the Premises and that the Complainants may be Adjudged their reasonable Costs of this-application and as in duty bound will ever pray etc-

Jona Sewall for the Compt

Worcester Ss anno Regni Regis Georgii Tertis Magnee Brittanie Francie et Hibernie decimo
Att his Majestys Court of General Sessions of the peace held at Worcester within and for the county of Worcester on the Second Tuesday of June anno qui Domini 1770 Read and ordered that the Petitioners Serve the Innhabitants of the Town of Southborough in Said County with a Coppy of this Petition by leaving the Same with the Town Clerk of Said Town that So they Shew Causes if any they have at the next Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be held at Worcester within and for Said County on the first Tuesday of Sepr next why the prayer of said Petition Should not be granted to which time the Consideration of Said Petition is Continued

Attest Timo Paine Clerk Pacc
Coppy Examined pr Timo Paine Clerk Pacc

On Article'
III 1st' Voted to make Defence against the Town of Needham relating to the Maintenance of Susanna Bodeingham
2ly Voted to Chose Agents to Manage the affair against the Town of Needham aforesaid
3ly Voted to Chuse Three Agents
4ly Voted that the three agents or either one or more of them Shall manage & pursue Said affair against Needham aforesaid
5ly Voted that John Temple be the Ist Agent
6ly Voted that Jona Ward be a 2nd Agent
7 Voted that Wm Collins be a 3 Agent in the affair against Needham Relating to the Maintenance of Susanna Bodingham

8 Voted that the above agents Manage & pursue the affair against Needham aforesaid concerning the Maintenance of one Susanna Bodingham To Final End and Determination in and of the Court or Courts that may and Shall be Necessary to try and have the matter and affair Tried in and by
Lastly Voted to Dissolve the Meeting aforesaid & it is accordingly Dissolved
Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator For Said Meeting
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss to Messrs. Josiah Fay & William Onthank Constables of the Town of Southborough in the County aforesaid In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required Forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants in Said Town within your Respective Districts who are Qualified to Vote in Town Meetings to Assemble and Meet at the Publick Meeting House in Southborough on Thursday the fourth day of October next at One of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day to Act on the following Articles Viz
I To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
II To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to pay the Rev. Mr. Nathan Stone of Said Town his present years Salary ending the 8th Day of June next
III To See if the Town will Sink and abate the Rates Assessed on & to Jona Stone of Said Town as Set in the List of assessments Committed to Elijah Bellows Constable to Collect for the year a. d. 1769
IV For the Town to hear the acct. of Aaron Wight of Medway for Doctring the widow Sybbel Ball from Feby 7th 1770 to Sepr 11th 1770 and act thereon as said Town of Southbo Shall think Proper
V
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V For the Town to hear the acc. of Peter Wight of Said Medway For Providing for and Nursing the Widow Sybbel Ball from June 1: 1770 to Sept 1770 and act thereon as they think proper.
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Town of Southborough at or before the time aopointed for said meeting
Dated at Southborough aforesaid Sepr 24: 1770
By order of the Selectmen Jona Ward Town Clerk
Worcester Ss Southbo Octr 4th Day 1770 In Obedience to the above writen I have warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants as above directed
William Onthank Constable of Said Southborough

Worcester Ss Southbo Octr 4th Day 1770 In obedience to the within written I have warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants as directed by the within Warrant
Josiah Fay Constable of Said Southbo

Mr. Stones Salary L 66:13:4

Worcester Ss Southborough Octr 4th a. d. 1770 The Town of Southbo aforesaid Being met the Warrant with the Return thereof Read the Meeting opened proceeded to act Viz.
I Chose Timothy Brigham Esqr Moderator for Said Meeting
II Voted and Granted the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence lawful money to be assessed on the Poles and Rateable Estates in Said Town to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone his present years Salary ending the Eight Day of June next which passed unani-

mously in the affirmative
III Vote on the 3d Article passed in the Negative implying not to abate Jona Stones Rates
On Article IV ' Voted not to act upon the Same
On Article V ' Voted not to act upon the Same

Lastly the meeting by Vote was Dissolved
Attest Timo Brigham Moderator for Said Meeting

Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk
Southborough Feb: 18: 1771 Then Recd of Mr John Temple Town Treasurer the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawful money in full of my Salary for the year 1769 as also the full of the wood Rate for the Same year I Say Received by me
Nathan Stone
Southbo Feby 23 1771 Recorded by Jonathan Ward Town Clerk

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Southborough in the County of Worcester February 22d 1771 having Examined the accompts of Mr John Temple as Treasurer for Said Town for the year Ending March next find that He has been Chargeable with the sum of One hundred and Sixty four pounds ten Shillings and nine pence
L 164:10:9:0
and that the said Temple has Produced proper Vouchers Shewing that He has paid One hundred and twenty five pound four Shillings one penny one farthing 125:4:1:1
L 39:6:7:3

Settlement with the Treasurer 1771

And there now Remains thirty nine pounds Six Shillings & Seven Pence three farthings as a Ballance for which he said Temple as Treasurer aforesaid is accountable apart of which is yet to collect Exclusive of what is assessed for the year 1770

Southbo Feby 22d 1771 Recorded the above by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) For Said
William Collins) Southborough

Worcester Ss To Mr Josiah Fay & Mr. Wm Collins Constables of the Town of Southborough or either of them Greeting-
SS In His Majesties Name you are hereby Required Forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Munday the forth Day of March next at twelve of the clock at noon to act on the following articles Viz.
Article I To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
Article 2 To Chuse Town Officers as the Law Directs
Article 3d To See if the Town aforesaid will chuse & pay a Collector or Collectors to Collect the money that Shall be assessed on the Inhabitants and Rateable Estate in Said Town the Ensuing year and if they will then to pass any other legal vote or votes on Said Article Relating to the Same that Said Town when met Shall think Necessary

To

Article 4 To Chuse men to Inspect the Killing Deer Contrary to Law
Article 5 To Chuse Grave Diggers a Pound Keeper also some person to Sweep the Meeting House in Said Town and to Lock & unlock the Door of the Same
Article 6th To agree upon and Grant a sum of money to Repair Highways in Said Town the Ensuing year-
Article 7th To Chuse a Committe to hire a School Master for Said Town the Ensuing year
Article 8th To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to pay a School master and other Town Debts the Ensuing year
Article 9th To consider of and allow any Town Debts that are Just and brought in by those to whom the Town is Justly Indebted
Article 10th To See if the Town will Determine by Vote to let their Swine Run at Large the year Ensuing-
Article 11th To See if the Town will Determine by Vote to Remove the School into the Several parts of the Town the year Ensuing as they did the last year or otherwise Determine about the Same as they think best
Article 12 To Chuse a Committe to Squardron out the School if they See Cause for the year Ensuing
Article 13 To See if the Town will alter the Road leading from Wm Onthanks Southward by Accepting of and Confirming a Town way laid out by the Selectmen of Said Town Jany 15th 1771 by the now Dwelling House of Peter Brewer and Discontinue that part of the old Town way Unnecessary to be Kept Open leading from said Onthanks Southward as far as Onthanks land Adjoyns to the Same on the East Side and make Grant of the Same to Said Onthank his Heirs & assigns forever as a full Recompence & Satisfaction for all the Damage done and arising to Him the Said Onthank by & in Consequence of a part of Said Road being laid thro the Land of Said Onthank and also to Discontinue the Other part of Said old Road leading Southward and adjoyning to Said Peters Lands from that part herein proposed to be Granted to Said Onthank till it comes as far Southward as where the new Road as laid out enters into Said old way and Unnecessary to be Kept Open and Grant the Same to Said Peter Brewer his Heirs and assigns forever as a full Recompence and Satisfaction for the Damage done to Said Brewer and arising by and in consequence of a part of Said New Road being laid thro' his the Said Peters lands
Article 14 For the Town to hear the Report of the Selectmen Relating to the Bounds of a part of the Road leading from Southbo Meeting House to Marlbo Viz-where it passeth by a Part of the land of Mr Jonn Temple which land lyeth Southerly of Asahel Moore and Establish Said Bounds according to Said Report if they See Cause Hereof fail not & make due Return of this Warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Town of Southborough at or before the time appointed for said meeting Dated at Southborough aforesaid Feb 11: 1771.....

By order of the Selectmen Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss
March ye 4 Day anno Domini 1771 In obedience to the aforesaid Warrant I have Warned all the Qualified Voters as therin Directed by Posting up a Notification agreeable to a Vote of the Town of Said Southbo

Josiah Fay Constable for Southbo

Worcester Ss Southborough March 4th 1771 The Town of Southbo aforesaid being legally met the Warrant with the Return of the Same Red the Meeting Opened Proceeded to act Viz.
On Article I' Chose Ezra Taylor Esqr. Moderator for Said Meeting
On Article 2d' Chose for Wardens
1st Capt Nathan Brigham)
2d Mr Daniel Johnson) Sworn

Chose for Selectmen and Assessors
1st Timo Brigham Esqr.)
2d Capt Jona Ward) Sworn
3d Lt Wm Collins)
4th Lt Josiah Fay
5th Mr. Isaac Johnson
Town Clerk Jona Ward S.
Town Treasurer Mr John Temole
Vote being put to See if the Town will chuse Collectors it passed in the Negative
Constables
1 Nathan Bridges)
2d Solomon Newton) Sworn
Vote being put to See if the Town will chuse Assessors it passed in the Negative
Tythingmen
1 Mr James Bellows Junr.)
2d Mr Elijah Bellows) Sworn
3d Ensign James Bridges)
Field Drivers
Mr John Newton) S
Mr Bezaleel Walker)
Deer Reeves
1 Mr Elijah Bellows
2 Mr Jonas Ball
Surveyors of Highways & Collectors of ye money granted for Repairing the Same
1st Mr Manasseh Stow
2d Mr Moses Bellows S.
3d Mr Jona Champney & Excused
4th Mr John Witherbee S.
5th Mr Ezra Newton & Excused March 7: 1771
Sealer of Leather
William Winchester S.
Fence Viewers — Hog Reeves
Peter Brewer S. — William Brigham S.
William Onthank S. — Jonathan Ward S.
Vote being put to Chose Overseers it Passed in the Negative Pound Keepers Timo Brigham Esqr
Grave Diggers
Mr Nathan Bridges
Mr Jotham Bellows
Chose Wm Winchester to Lock and unlock the meeting house Doors and to Sweep said House
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Committee to Hire a School master
1 Mr Manasah Stow

2d Capt Aaron Fay
3d Deacon John Fay

L 80 Highway
Granted money to Repair Highways Viz L 80:0:0

Town Debts etc L 40
Granted money to pay a Schoolmaster and other Town debts viz
40:0:0

Voted to pay Capt Jona Ward his acct for)
making Rates and & providing for Mr Nathl Beels) L 1:8:4½

Voted to let the Swine run at large
Voted to move the School into the Several parts of ye Town
Viz 1 To the West End)
School 2 To the East End) of Said Town the Ensuing Year
to be 3d To the South Side)
Kept 4th To the Center)

Vote for Chusing a Committee to Squadron out the School passed in the Negative
Voted to pay William Winchester his acct for providing for Nathanael Beels from the 2d of April 1770 to the 4th day of March 1771 as Set forth in Sd acct. of Charge against Said Town.....L 7:14:3d

Voted to adjourn this meeting to Thursday next at two of the Clock in the afternoon of said Day to meet at this place Thursday March 7th 1771 The Town aforesaid being met agreeable to the adjournment the meeting opened Proceeded to act Viz.
Voted to Excuse Ezra Newton from being Surveyor of Highways & Collector of the money Granted for the Same
Voted to Excuse Jona Champney from Serving as a Surveyor & Collector of money for Repairing Highways
Survey- Voted that Phineas Bruce be a Surveyor & Collector of money for
ors of Repairing Highways
Highways Voted that James Bellows Junr Be a Surveyor & Collector of money for Repairing Highway
Granted to Asahel Moore for Making Rates)
& drawing warrants.....) 0:16:0
Granted Moses Bellows for taking care of the
Meeting House..... 0:15:0
Granted John Wetherbee for mending Shoes
for Nathanael Beels..... 0:2:0
Granted Peter Brewer for keeping Nathl Beels 0:7:2:1

On Article'
13 ' The Following Vote was put which passed
in the affirmative (See the vote in the next page etc)

On Article'
14 ' Voted to Establish the bounds of the Road according to the Selectmens Report on the Same (See it recorded Paged 218

Voted

217 'Voted to Alter the Road leading from Wm Onthanks of
On Article' the Town of Southbo Southward by accepting of & Con-
13- ' firming a New Road as laid out by the Selectmen of
Said Town Jany 15: 1771 Viz Begining at the Southwesterly Corner
of Said Onthanks Chaise House on the Easterly Side of the old
Road by Road aforesaid thence Runing Southerly Crossing Said Old Road to
Onthanks a heap of Stones by a Stone Wall on the Westerly Side of Said old
& Road Said heap of Stones being Eight Rods Distance from the Said
Brewers Corner of Said chaise House Thence Runing Southerly as Said Wall
Altered now Stands on the Westerly Side of Said old Road till it comes
March 17: to a Division Wall Betwixt Said Onthanks lands and the Lands of
1771 Peter Brewer thence Southerly three feet west of a Plum Tree a
little Northwesterly of Said Brewers now Dwelling House thence
Southerly about two feet west of a Pare Tree Stand easterly of
Said Brewers House aforesaid Thence Southerly or bearing Souther-
Easterly and runing ab ut one foot Distant from and on the Westerly
Side of Said Brewers Well not far from his Said House then contin-
uing near the Same Course to an apple Tree Standing near to and
Northwesterly of the Corn Barn of Sd Brewer Thence Runing Southerly
to a heap of Stones One Rod Easterly of the Southeasterly Corner
of Sd Brewers Small Barn called the new Barn Thence Runing more
Easterly and Crossing Said old Road till it Extends to the North-
easterly end of a Stone Wall at the Southeasterly End of a pair of
Bars on the Easterly Side of Sd Road as it is leading down a Hill
Southeasterly which bound now mentioned and discribed as above is
on and are the Easterly Side bounds of Said new Road or way as laid
out full two Rods wide all the way on the Westerly Side of Sd
Boundarys and to Discontinue the old Road Unnecessary to be Kept
open Viz. The Discontinuation of it to take place when the new Road
above discribed is opened and cleared of all its Incombrances by
Said Onthank & Said Brewer (& not before) and Do grant & Confirm
that of the Old Road from the Said Chaise House as far Southward
as where the Division line Between Said Onthanks Land & the Land of
Said Brewer Crosseth the Said Road unto the Said Onthank his Heirs
& assigns from and after the Taking place of the Discontinuation of
the Same forever as a full Recompence for all the land taken from
Him and the Damage done, to him by a part of the new Road aforesaid
being laid thro' a part of his land and opening the Same thro his
land as aforesaid
And Do Grant & Confirm that Part of the Old Road Unnecessary to be
Kept Open Southward of where the Division line between Said Brewers
and Onthanks Crosseth the said old Road till it comes and joyns to
the new Road as it Enters and Takes place in Said old Road unto
Said

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On Article' Said Peter Brewer his Heirs and Assigns forever as a
Road al- 13th ' full and Sufficient Recompence for all the Damage Done
tered by and arising to Said Brewer by a part of Said Road being laid thro'
Onthanks his land and for all the Cost and Charge he said Brewer is or Shall
& be at in Removing all the Incumbrances off of the Same that are
Brewers lying and Standing on the Ground laid out for Said Road thro' Said
Brewers land as a aforesaid and for levelling the ground in Said
new Road about his House aforesaid So as to make it good passing
and Repassing in the Road by Said House Said Brewer to open & level
said New Road thro' his land before He shuts up the old Road Now
Granted Him etc
Southborough March 7th 1771 the aforewritten Vote was passed and
Confirmed by Said Town in Town Meeting
Attest Ezra Taylor Moderator

On Article 14th 'Southborough Jany 2d 1771- 'The Selectmen of Southbo aforesaid having at the request of Mr John Temple of Said Southbo Viewed about 50 Rods in length ye Road leading from Southbo Meeting House to Marlbo Viz. where it passeth by and adjoyning to the land of Said Temple in order to Renew and Establish the Westerly Side of Said Road are full of the opinion that the bounds of Said Road about 50 rods as aforesaid is and be Established thus/ which will leave the Road four rods wide on the East Side of Said bound now Described) Viz. Begining at the Southeasterly Corner of the Stone Wall of Said Temple that Inclosetn his land on the West Side of Said Road Northeasterly of Wolping Hill So Called and from thence Recorsing Northerly on the Easterly Side of the land of Said Temple to a heap of Stones about Six feet East of a large Chestnut Stump thence Northerly to a heap of Stones betwixt two Bunches of white birtch stackes thence northerly to a heap of Stones lying by a post in the fence of Sd Temple All which is Humbly Submited

The Bounds of the Road Stated where it passetn by Mr John Temples Land South of Mr Asahel Moores

Accepted and Confirmed as above March 7: 1771
Attest Ezra Taylor Moderator

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
William Collins) of Said
John Lyscom) Southbo
Josiah Fay)
Jona Ward)

Voted to Disolve the aforesaid Meeting and it is accordingly Disolved

Attest Ezra Taylor Moderator

The proceedings of the Town of Southbo aforesaid in their Town Meeting held on March 4th & 7th 1771 Recorded by Jona Ward

Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough March 4th 1771 Pursuant to the law of this Province We the Subscribers have Chosen Mr David Newton of Said Southbo to be Sealer of Weights and Measures in & for Said Southbo the year Ensuing and Untill another is Chosen & Sworn in his Room-------- Timo Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) of Southbo
William Collins) aforesaid
Josiah Fay)

Nathan Bridges
Solomon Newton
Constables of Said Southbo

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Worcester Ss To Messrs Nathan Bridges and Solomon Newton Constables of the Town of Southborough in the County aforesaid Greeting In his Majestys Name you are hereby required forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in Said Town who are Qualified agreeable to Royal Charter to Vote in the choice of a Representative to assemble & meet at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Munday the thirteenth day of this Instant May at 2 of ye Clock in the afternoon on Said Day

I For Said Town to Elect and Depute one or more persons Legally Quallified to Represent them in the Great & General Court or assembly appointed to be convened held and kept for his Majestys Service at Harvard Colledge in Cambridge in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England upon Wednesday the twentyninth Day of May instant at nine of the clock in the in morning and de Die in Diem during their Session & Sessions if said Southbo think fit & if not then to answer the Precept some other way

II To chuse a Moderator for the Remaining work of said meeting

III For the Town aforesaid to hear & accept of a list of Jurors to be laid before them by the Selectmen and to Seperate one Quarter part of the Number in Sd List for the Superior Court

IV To hear allow & Grant money to pay the acct of the Agents Viz. Manasseh Stow John Lyscom & Jonas Ball Chosen March 1769 to Manage the dispute with Rutland District Concerning the Maintainence of Eunice Amsden and to pass any other legal Vote Concerning said affair that Shall be necessary
V To hear & allow the acct of the agents Viz John Temple Jona Ward & William Collins Chosen June 25 A. D. 1770 to Manage the affair with the Town of Needham Concerning the Support of the widow Susannah Boddingham & Grant money to pay what said Needham has Recovered against the Town of Southbo aforesaid & the Cost of the aforesaid Agents in Maintaining Said Dispute
VI To hear the Report of the Selectmen Concerning Making an alteration of the Road Northwesterly of Aaron Amsden and to discontinue
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a part of the Old Road and Grant the Same to Benjamin Parker his heirs and assigns forever and accept of the Road in the Room of it as laid out partly thro-the land of Mr John Temple and to pass any other legal Vote or Votes Concerning the Same that the Town when met Shall think proper---Hereof fail not & Make due return of this Warrant with your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Southbo at or before the time appointed for said meeting Dated at Southbo aforesaid May the third Day anno Domini 1771
By order of the Selectmen Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualified for Voting in Said Town or my District to appear at time and place within mentioned May 13: 1771 Solomon Newton Constable for Southbo

Worcester May 13: 1771 In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualified by law to Vote in this Meeting to meet at time and Place within mentioned
Pr Nathan Bridges Constable for
Said Southborough

Worcester Ss Southbo May 13: 1771 The Town of Southbo being met pursuant to the Warrant which being read with the Return thereon the Meeting opened the Precept read then proceed to act
On Article'
I ' The Vote being put to See if the Town will Send a Representative is passed in the Affirmative Chose Timo Brigham Esqr. to Represent the Town in the Great and General Court for the Province of the Massachusetts Bay the ensuing year
On Article'
2d ' Chose Mr Isaac Johnson Moderator for the Remainder of the Meeting
On Article'
III ' Voted to accept the list of Jurors laid before the Town on Article III and Selected out one Quarter part for the Superior Court Box being eight
On Article'
IV ' Voted and Granted to Jonas Ball and Manasseh Stow Chosen March 1769 to Manage the Dispute with Rutland District Relating to the Support of Eunice Amsden a Pauper which Eunice had been by Said District Sent to Said Southbo by a Warrant obtaind from proper authority for that purpose Viz the Sum of

Nineteen pounds
Nineteen Shillings lawful money for their past Services & Expence in Said affair---
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On Article'
V ' Voted and Granted to the Selectmen of Said Southbo nineteen Pounds Nine Shillings & four pence lawful money being what they paid to the Town of Needham for Supporting Susannah Boddingham & their Cost of Courts Recovered in the Dispute with Said Southbo Concerning her Maintenance & two weeks boarding her after Judgement of Court & 10/8d more for bringing her from Needham & boarding her two weeks
Voted and Granted to Jona Ward Seven Pounds Six Shillings Seven Pence one farthing being his acct of charge in the Dispute with the Town of Needham concerning the Support of the widow Susannah Boddingham Voted and Granted to William Collins five pounds one Shilling & Eleven pence lawful money being his acct of Expence in the affair against the Town of Needham Concerning Susannah Boddingham Maintainance
Voted to Grant money to pay the aforesaid sums in addition to
Granted the other money Granted last March to pay Town Debts
L 30:0:0 Voted Granted and Ordered the Sum of Thirty Pounds L. M. to be assessed on the Poles and Rateable Estates in Sd Southbo to be assessed and Collected and paid into the Treasury of Sd Southbo by the the last day of October next in addition to the money Granted last March to pay Town Debts in order to discharge the aforesaid Sums
On Article'
VI ' Read the Following Report Viz We the Subscribers having at the Request of Mr Benjamin Parker Viewed a part of the Road between Mr Aaron Amsdens & Mr Asahel Moore do report that to alter the Said Road as hereafter Discribed will not be any Damage to the Publick But will be an Advantage

to-

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To the Said Parker Viz to begin at the Second Post Standing in the Fence on the East Side of the Road aforesaid Southerly of the Nearest Gutter to the Crotch or parting of the Road leading from Said Moore to Said Amsdens and Southbo Meeting House and from Said Post to Run Southerly about Ten rods to a Rock with Stones on the Same being three rods and one pace east of the Bounds on the west side of the Road leading to said Meeting House thence Southerly thirty eight paces to a Walnut Tree marked and Standing on Mr Jonn Temples land thence Southerly Six rods to a rock with Stones on it on the Westerly Side of the old Road that leads to Said Amsdens from Said Moores thence Seven Rods-Southeasterly to a Rock with Stones on it on the Northeasterly Side of the last mentioned Road which Road now altered and laid out thro the land of the aforesaid Temple is to be full two rods wide Westerly of Said Bounds discribed as above and that part of the old Road between the Post aforesaid and last mentioned stone on the Easterly Side of the bounds aforesaid to be discontinued and granted to Said Benjamin Parker his Heirs and assigns forever provided and only on Condition the Said Parker make the new Road good and passable & pay Said John Temple for what land is taken from him by laying out & accepting the said Road where it passeth on his land as aforesaid or otherwise Satisfy the Town of Southbo therefor all which is Humbly Submitted Southbo April 1771

Timo. Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) For Sd.
Isaac Johnson) Southbo
Josiah Fay)

May 13: 1771
Voted that the aforesaid Road is and be Altered By accepting the same as laid out, & By Discontinuing & Granting as is Set forth in the aforesaid Report

Last Voted to Disolve the aforesaid Meeting and it is accordingly Dissolved

Attest Isaac Johnson Modr for Sd Meeting
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Recd of Messrs. Timothy Brigham, Isaac Johnson, William Collins, Jonathan Ward & Josiah Fay Selectmen of Southborough By the hand of William Onthank of Said Southborough thirteen pounds three Shillings debt & five pounds, Eighteen Shillings & four pence Cost of Court on the acct-of the widow Susannah Bodingham of Said Southborough till the said court which was Till the Twenty eighth Day of March last and also Eight Shillings for two weeks time ending this twelvth day of April a. d. 1771 Recorded by
Jona Ward Town Clerk

L 19:9:4d in full for debt &
cost Needham April 12: 1771

Michelel Metcalf) Selectmen
Jonathan Day) of
Amos Fuller Junr) Needham

Worcester Ss To Messrs. Nathan Bridges & Solomon Newton Constables of the Town of Southborough in the county aforesaid Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of said Town within your Respective Districts who are Qualified for Voting in Town Meetings to Assemble and meet at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Munday the ninth Day of Sept next at two of the clock in the afternoon on Said Day to act on the following Articles Viz---

I To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
II To agree upon and Grant a sum of money to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone of Said Town his present years Salary Ending ye Eighth Day of June next
III To See if the Town will procure for and supply the widow Deliverance Salter of said Town with Firewood During any part or the whole of one year next Ensuing from the ninth day of Sepr. aforesaid or pass any other legall vote on this 3d article that Said Town when met shall think proper--Hereof fail not & and make due return of this warrant and your proceedings therewith Unto the Selectmen of Said Town at or before the time appointed for said Meeting Dated at Southbo aforesd Augt the 29th 1771 By order of the Selectmen

Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Sept 9: 1771 I have warned all the Qualified Voters in my District pursuant to the above warrant to meet at time and place within mentioned pr Nathan Bridges Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss In obedience to this warrant I have warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants that are qualified for voting of said Town within my district to appear & at the time and place within mentioned
September 9: 1771 Solomon Newton Constable for Southbo
Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr 9: 1771 The Town of Southbo aforesaid being met the warrants with the return thereof read the meeting opened then proceeded to Act Viz.
I Chose Isaac Johnson Moderator for Said Meeting
II Agreed upon Voted and granted the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings & four pence lawfull money to be assessed on the Poles & Rateable Estate in Said Southborough to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone his present years Salary ending the Eighth Day of June next pr Isaac Johnson Modr

Salary L 66:13:4

III Voted to Provide & get for the widow Deliverance Salter Six Cord of Wood to be cut four foot long & corded up at the Door of the now Dwelling House of the Sd widow Salter and agreed with Joseph Newton of Sd Southbo to get Said Six Cord of wood which is to be good green & Sound Wood and Cut & cord the Same of ye length and at the place aforesaid as necessary for her use from this time forward: and to be all delivered at four Shillings the Cord which he now agrees to do it for & that Mr Robert Fay is to measure the said wood & certify that the Same is all delivered according to contract before Said Joseph Shall be entitled to have the money pd to him for the Same
Lastly By Vote the above meeting is Dissolved pr Isaac Johnson Moderator for Sd Meeting
Recorded By Jona Ward Town Clerk

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Mr Stone Rec't 1772

Southboro Feb: 12: 1772 Then received of Mr John Temple Treasurer the Sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings & four pence in full of my Salery for the year 1770 by me
Nathan Stone

Settlement with the Treasurer Feby 14: 1772

At a meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Southborough in the County of Worcester Feby the 14th Day a. d. 1772 having Examined the accompts of Mr John Temple as he is Treasurer for Said Town of Southbo for the year of his Treasurership ending March next find that He has been Chargeable with the sum of one hundred and Eighty pounds Nineteen Shillings and Eleven pence three farthings L 180:19:11:3
and that the Said Temple has produced proper vouchers Shewing that He has paid one hundred and fifty Six pounds Eleven Shillings 156:11:0:0

And there now Remains twenty four pound eight Shillings and Eleven pence three farthings as a Ballance for which the Said Temple as Treasurer aforesaid is accountable (a part of which is yet to collect) Exclusive of what is assessed for the year a. d. 1771 excepting a grant of thirty pounds made in 1771 which Reckoned..... L 24:8:11:3

Timo Brigham
Isaac Johnsons
Jona Ward

Recorded Feby 19th 1772
By Jona Ward Town Clerk

William Collins
Josiah Fay
Selectmen For Said
Southbo

Worcester Ss To Messrs Nathan Bridges & Solomon Newton Constables of the Town of Southbo & of the County aforesaid or either of them Greeting-
In His Majestys Name you are hereby Required to Warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Said Southbo who are Qualifyed for voting in Town Meetings to assemble and meet at the publick meeting House in Said Town on Munday the 2d Day of March next at twelve of the Clock at noon to act on the following articles
Viz I To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
2d To Chuse Town Officers for the year Ensuing as the law Directs
3d To See if Said Town will Chuse and pay a Collector or Collectors to Collect the money that Shall be assessed on the Inhabitants of & Rateable Estate in Said Town tne Ensuing year & if they will then to pass any other legall vote or votes on said Article relating to the same that said Town when met Shall think Necessary
4 To chuse men to inspect the Killing Deer Contrary to Law
5 To chuse Grave Diggers a Pound Keeper & Some person to lock & unlock the Doors of Said Meeting House and Sweep the Same the year ensuing

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6ly To agree upon and grant a sum of money to Repair Highways in Said Town the ensuing year
7ly To chuse a Committee to Hire a School master for said Town (the year ensuing)
8 To agree upon & grant a sum of money to pay a School master & other Town Debts etc
9ly To Consider of & allow any Town Debts that Shall be brought in by those to whom the Town is Justly Indebted.
10 To See if the Town will determine by Vote to let their Swine run at large the year ensuing
11 To Chuse a Committee to Seat the Meeting House aforesaid if Said Town think proper
12 For the Town to determine whether they will move the school and how it shall be moved and kept in Said Town the year ensuing and to pass any Vote concerning the Same as necessary etc
13 Chuse a committee to squadron out the school if they See Cause
14th To See if the Town will Sink or abate the Rate or Tax Set and assessed to or on Baxter How & David Pratt in a list of Assessment committed to Josiah Fay Constable to Collect for a. d. 1770 and also the Rate or Tax Set or assessed on or to John Wyman as assessed in a list of assessment committed to Nathan Bridges Constable to Collect for the year a. d. 1771
15 For the Town to determine whether they will for the future have the cross road leading out of and from the Road between John Bellows and Samuel Phillips to John Angiers opened & kept open as an open Road or whether the Town will have it kept as a Bridle Road or whether the Town will discontinue and make Sale of any part or the whole of said Road with proper Reserves necessary for passing & Re-

passing
Viz To Samuel Phillips John Angier John Newton and Amos Newton Junr or to any one or more of them his or their Heirs and assigns Respectively forever be or they who purchase paying to said Town a Valuable Consideration for the Same or theyways for said Town to act & pass any other legal Vote or Votes about & concerning the Same that may & Shall by them be found necessary
Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Town of Southbo at or before the time appointed for Said Meeting dated at Southbo aforesaid Feby 14 Day a. d. 1772

By order of the Selectmen Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss March 2d 1772 Pursuant to the within warrant I have warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualifyed by law to vote in Town Meetings to meet at time and place within mentioned by posting up the contents of this Warrant agreeable to the Vote of the Town a. d. 1759

pr Nathan Bridges Constable for Said Town

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Worcester Ss Southborough March the 2d a. d. 1772 Town of Southbo aforesaid being legally met the warrant with the Return of the Same Read the meeting opened Proceeded to act Vizt.
On Article'
I ' Chose for Moderator of Said Meeting John Fay

On Article'
2d ' Chose for Warden
1 Lt Wm Collins
2d David Newton

Chose for Selectmen Viz.
1 John Temple
2d Isaac Johnson
3d Dea. John Fay
4 Manasseh Stone
5 Ephraim Ward
Town Clerk Chose Jona Ward
Town Treasurer Chose John Temple
Constables Capt Nathan Brigham
Wm Onthank by vote accepted in his Stead
2nd Mark Collins
Assessors 1st John Temple
2d Dean John Fay
Solomon Ward Refused March 3d
Jona Ward Chose March 3d
Voted to chuse the other Officers by hand Vote

Fythingmen
Peter Brewer
Wm Winchester
Field Drivers
Elijah Bellows
Wm Collins

Surveyors of Highways & Collectors of the money granted for Repairing Highways
Ezra Newton
Joshua Smith
Jona Champney
John Harvey

Voted to adjourn this meeting untill the 3d Day of this Instant March at one of the clock in the afternoon on Said Day then to meet at the meeting House in Sd Southbo attest John Fay Moderator
Southbo March 3d 1772 the Town being met the meeting opened proceed to act
Voted to chuse Assessors

Deer Reeves
Jonas Ball
Joseph Newton
Sealer of Leather
Wm Winchester
John Angier
Fence Views
Capt. Aaron Fay
Capt. Nathan Brigham
Committe to Hire School Master
Jona Ward
Elijah Bellows
James Bridges

Voted not to chuse Overseers

Hog Reeves
Benja Parker
Edward Chamberlain
Elijah Brigham
Reuben Fay

Chose Joshua Smith to Lock & unlock the meeting House Doors and Sweep the Same & take care thereof the year Ensuing.

Vote to See if the Town will chuse Collectors past in the Negative

For highways) Voted and granted to Repair Highways in Said Town
L 60:0:0) the year Ensuing Sixty pounds lawful money

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Town Debts) Voted and Granted the Sum of Forty pounds lawful money
L 40) to be assessed on the Poles and Reatable Estate of Said Town to pay a Schoolmaster and other Town Debts in Said Southbo the year Ensuing-

On Article 9 Granted to John Mixer of Framingham for Timber L 0:8:7:1
Granted Wm Winchester.....0:18:0:0
Granted Jona Ward his acct-do for Beels and Bodingham & Settling Valuation & making Rates 4:13:11½
Granted to William Collins for Keeping Mrs. Bodingham and taking & Settling the Valuation and Invoice 2:9:8
Granted Wm Onthank for keeping Nathl Beels One year ending March the 20th 1772 and-find Shoes & Stockens..... 7:4:0
Granted Josiah Fay for assisting att the Valuation and Invoice 1771..... 0:18:0
Granted John Temple for his Services as Treasurer a. d. 1770 & 1771..... 1:2:0
Granted to Isaac Johnson his acct. for Settling the Valuation & Supporting Mrs. Bodingham in 1771 and to March 3d 1772 etc.. 5:14:0
Granted to Peter Brewer for keeping widow Bodingham in 1771..... 1:40:0

10th Voted to let their Swine Run at large in Sd Town the year Ensuing
11 Article Voted to chuse a Committee to Seat the Meeting House & for a Committee chose

Capt Aaron Fay
Ephraim Ward
Seth Newton
Jona Amsden
Peter Brewer
Elijah Bellows

Voted to move the School into the Several Parts of the Town the the year Ensuing Viz
1st To the East End)
2d To the Center) of Said Town
3d To the West End)
4th To the South Side)

Assessor Jona Ward in the Room of Solomon Ward
Voted to Excuse John Temple from Serving as an Assessor Asahel More is chose assessor in the Room of John Temple
Voted to adjourn this meeting untill Fryday the Sixth Instant at one of the clock in the afternoon to meet at said meeting House
Attest John Fay Moderator

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Southbo March 6th 1772 Town being met according to adjournment the meeting opened proceeded to act
Voted to abate Baxter How Rate being 0:10:0:3) Total
Voted to abate David Pratts Rate being 0:11:3:0) L S D F
as Set in a list of assessment Committed to 1:01:3:3
Josiah Fay to Collect for a. d. 1770
Voted to Excuse David Newton from Serving Warden the year Ensuing
Warden Chose John Angier in the Stead of David Newton
Selectmen (Ezra Taylor Esqr) in the Room of Mr John Temple
(Jona Ward) and Ephraim Ward who Refused to Serve
The Report of the Committee chosen to Seat the Meeting House was Read but not by vote accepted
Voted to adjourn this meeting untill the 18th Day of May next at two of the clock in the afternoon of Said Day then to meet at the Meeting house in Said Southbo to act on the 15th Article in the Warrant Issued for calling Sd Meeting and any other thing not finished in this meeting .....
Attest John Fay Moderator of said Meeting

The officers afore named Chosen to Serve for the year ensuing & of whom an Oath by Law is Required and who have accepted of their truths have been Sworn by Francis Whipple Esqr
Excepting Ezra Taylor Esqr Mannasseh Stow & John Harvey who were not Present .....
Worcester Ss Southbo March the 6th 1772 Pursuant to the Law of this Province We the Subscribers have Chosen Mr David Newton of Said Southbo to be Sealer of Weights and Measures in and for Said Southborough the year ensuing and untill another be chosen and Sworn in his Room

John Fay) Selectmen
Isaac Johnson) of Said
Jona Ward) Southbo

William Onthank) Constables of
Mark Collins) Said Southbo

Worcester Ss March 6: 1772 the above Named David Newton was Sworn to the faithfull discharge of the aforesaid office by Francis Whipple Esqr.
Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk
Recorded the work of the aforegoing meeting as aforesaid
Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southborough May 18th the Town of Said Southbo being met according to the adjournment the meeting opened proceeded to act
Viz-

On Article 15th The Vote on the 15 Article in the Warrant to See if the Town will Shut up the Road from John Angiers to the Road that leads from Samuel Phillips to John Bellows passed in the Negative.

Vote passed in the Negative concerning the Road from Angiers to the Road from Phillips to Bellows

it being put to Vote to See if the Town will Discontinue and Sell a part of the Road leading from John Angiers a Cross Stoney Brook into the Road that leads from Samuel Phillips to John Bellows and chuse some person or persons to Serch the Records and Make Report the next Town Meeting how much land there is in the Same it passed in the Negative
Lastly by Vote the meeting aforesd is Dissolved
Attest
John Fay Modr of Sd Meeting

May Meeting 1772

Worcester Ss To Messrs Wm Onthank & Mark Collins Constables of the Town of Southbo in the County of Worcester aforesd or Either of them Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Said Town who are Qualified Agreeable to Royal Charter to Vote in the choice of a Representative to assemble and meet at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Munday the Eighteenth day of this Instant May at three of the clock in the afternoon on Said Day
I For the Town aforesaid to Elect and Depute One or moore person legally Qualified to Represent them in the Great & General Assembly appointed to be convened held and Kept for his Majestys Service at Harvard Colledge in Cambridge in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Upon Wednesday the 27 Day of this Instant May at nine of the Clock in the morning and So de in Diem During their Session & Sessions (if Sd Southbo think fit & if not then to answer the Precept some other way
II To chuse a Moderator for the Remaining work of said Meeting
III For the Town of Southbo aforesd to hear and accept of list of Jurors to be laid before said Southbo by the Selectmen thereof and Seperate one Quarter part of the number in Said list for the Superior Court Box
IV To See if the Town of Southbo aforesd will abate & sink the Rates Set to & assessed on--Jesse Amsden in lists of Assessment Committed to Wm Onthank as Constable for the year a. d. 1770 to Collect
V To See if Sd Southbo will chuse a Committee or Agents to Joyn with the Town of Marlbo or any they may appoint to Run the line betwixt said Marlbo & Southbo So as to Determine and Establish the true Boundary of the Same
VI To See if Said Town of Southbo will Sink and abate the Rate Set & assessed to Mr Seth Newton for the head or Pole of Zacherus Wetherbee as Set in lists of Assessments Committed to Asahel Moore to Collect for a. d. 1768 & repay it to Said Seth
VII To See if Sd Southbo will make an alteration of a Part of the Road leading from Lt. Wm. Collins to Jona Champney in sd Southbo
VIII To See if Sd Southbo will Sink & abate the Tax or Rate Assessed to or on Baxter How, Benja Treadway and David Pratt in lists of assessment dated June 3d 1771 & Committed to Solomon

Newton Constable to Collect
IX To See if the town will grant the hind Seat in the Mens front Gallery to the Proprietors of the Mens Pew in the mens Front Gallery on Such Terms and Conditions as Shall then be agreed on by Sd Southbo and Said Proprietors or pass any other legal vote & grant or order concerning the Disposition of the Same that the Town shall think proper.
X To See if the Town of Southbo aforesd will chuse a Committee to Seat the Meeting House aforesaid and order the same to be done forthwith or pass any other legal vote concerning the Same
XI To See if Said Southbo will discontinue the open use of & let to Isaac Johnson & Josiah Fay or Either of them the Road leading from the Road by Lt. Wm. Collins by the House where Justice Lyscom lived and to the end of the lane Northerly westerly of Sd House for the Space of one year next Ensuing for a Suitable Consideration

Hereof

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Hereof fail not and made due return of this Warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Southborough at or before the time appointed for said meeting Dates at Southbo aforesd May 7th 1772

By order of the Selectmen Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss In obedience to the within Warrants I have Warned the Freeholders and Inhabitants Refered to as Directed etc May the 18: 1772 William Onthank Constable of Southbo

Worcester Ss Southboro May ye 18: 1772 I have warned the Qualified Voters within my District to appear at time and according to the direction of the within Warrant pr Mark Collins Constable for Said Southborough

Worcester Ss Southbo May 18: 1772 The Town of Southbo aforesd being met the Warrants Red with the Return thereon the meeting Opened Voted Viz.
I The Vote being put to See if Sd Town will Send a Representative the year Ensuing to the General Assembly to be Convened & held on the 27 Instant at Harvard College in Cambridge etc it past in the negative
II Voted that Isaac Johnson be Moderator of this Meeting
On Article'
III ' Accepted the list of Jurors as laid before the Town and Selected out a Number for the Superior Court Box as directed
On Article'
IV ' Vote being put to See if the Town will sink & abate the Rates Set to and assessed on Jesse Amsden in the lists committed to Wm Onthank as Constable a. d. 1770 to collect passed in the Negative
On Article'
V ' 1st Voted to chuse Agents to Joyn with the Town of Marlbo to Run the line and State the true Boundarys betwixt Said towns of Southbo and Marlbo
2d Voted to chuse three agents viz

1st. Ezra Taylor Esqr.
2d. Manaseh Stow
3d. Deacon John Fay

On Article VI ' Voted to Sink and Reimburse to Seth Newton what He was Rated for the Pole of Zacheus Wetherbee as Set in the list of Assessment committed to Asahel Moore as Constable to Collect a. d. 1768

On VII Article ' Voted the Alteration of the way betwixt Wm Collins and Jona Champneys as Set forth in the Report of the Selectmen date May 12: 1772 on the Town which Report is Viz: The Report of the Selectmen of Southbo on a part of the Road between Lt Wm Collins and Jona Champney Viz To Begin at the North westerly Corner of said Champney Barn and run Northerly twenty one Rods to the Stone Wall on the Easterly Side of Said Road Discontinuing about Ten Rods of Said Road being in length as aforesaid and granting and confirming the Same to Said Jona Champney his Heirs and Assigns forever for a full and ample Recompence for the land taken from him by turning the Road on his land as hereafter mentioned Viz. To begin at the North end of Said Champney Stone Wall aforesaid and then Running about fifteen rods Northerly on Said Champneys land to the North Side of the Same to a heap of Stones from thence to run about one rod North to ye South end of the Stone Wall of Said Collins and Establish the East Side of Said Road where its altered by Sd new boundary & by the said line and bounds above mentioned and then to begin two rods west of the aforesaid corner of Said Barn and run Northerly So as to leave the Road full Two rods wide till it is extends as far North as the North end of the Stone wall of Said Collins above mentioned and Establish this line as the west Side of Said Road which takes away Some land from Said Collins and for a full Recompence for the Same For the Town to Discontinue that part of the old Road as Will fall on the West Side of the last mentioned line and grant the Same to William Collins his Heirs & assigns forever as Compleat Satisfaction will be of great Service to the publick and No Damage to Private property

John Fay) Selectmen
Southborough May 12: 1772 Isaac Johnson) of Said
Jona Ward) Southbo

May 18th 1772 By Vote the above Report was accepted and the Road aforesaid altered and Established as above Set forth

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On the 8th Article ' Voted to Sink the Rate of Baxter How Benja. Treadway and David Pratt as Set in a lists of assessments Committed to Solomon Newton as Constable to Collect for a. d. 1771 Viz on Baxter How 1:3:3 on Benja. Treadway

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						1:3:3)		
on David Pratt-1/3	3/4	Sum Total of all is.....)				L	S	D F
							0:3:11:1	

On the IX Article ' The Vote being to See if the Town will dispose of the hind Seat in the men's Front Gallery it Passed in the Negative

On X Article ' Voted to chuse a Committee to Seat the Meeting House aforesaid Viz.
1 Chose Manaseh Stow 2d Solomon Newton

3d Nathan Brigham Junr 4th Isaac Johnson & 5th Jona Ward
Voted that the above committee in Seating the Said Meeting House have regard to the age pay & Dignity of the persons they Seat and that they make use of the last Invoice to determine the pay of each person and that no person having a Right in any pew in Said House Shall be allowed a Seat by Said Committee unless the person or persons having Said Right in Said Pew or Pews make application in writing to said committee Seasonably for a Seat and Certify that he or they have disposed of and Sold his or their Interest in Said Pew & Some person or persons who will fill up the Same as also any person having come into Said Southbo Since the last Invoice was given in, To have a Seat according to his Rateables, Estate Age & Dignity--
Voted that the above Committee make Report of their Seating Said House on the 27 Day of this Instant May at two of the clock in the afternoon on Sd Day

On the XI' Vote for Shuting up and leting the Road for one year as Article ' mentioned in Said Art passed in the Negative

Voted to adjourn this meeting to the 27th Day of May Instant at two of the clock in the afternoon on Said Day

Isaac Johnson) Moderator of Said Meeting

Meeting House Seated & Acceptance of the Same

Worcester Ss Southboro May 27th 1772 the Town being met the Meeting opened Consequent to the adiournment the Committee aforesd for Seating the Meeting House made their return
The Return of the Committee aforesaid for Seating Said Meeting being Read the Town Voted to and did by Vote accept of the same
Lastly Voted to Dissolve this meeting and accordingly it Dissolved
Attest Isaac Johnson Mod of Sd Meeting
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

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To the Selectmen of Southbo Gent. these may Certify you that We have appointed Mr Timo Warren one of the Selectmen and Mr George Andrews to Joyn with you in Perambulating the line and renewing the bounds between Westbo and Southbo Westborough March 30: 1772
Jona Bond Stephen Maynard Jona Brigham
Selectmen for Westborough
April 20: 1772 We the Subscribers being duly appointed have Perambulated the line betwixt Westbo & Southbo and Renewed the bounds
Timo Warren George Andrews) for Westbo
Nathan Bridges)
Hezh Fay) for Southbo

Marlborough April the 6th 1772 To Messrs Daniel Harrington Gershom Bi low and George Brigham you are hereby desired and impowered to meet the Selectmen of Southbo or whome they Shall appoint at the Dwelling House of Mr James Brigham in Said Marlborough on Munday the 27 day of April Instant at Eight of the Clock before Noon & Perambulate the line and Renew the bounds between Marlbo & Southborough
By order of the Selectmen Winslow Brigham Town Clerk
April 27: 1772 We the Subscribers being duly appointed to Perambulate and Renew the bounds between Marlbo and Southbo and have

Renewed Bounds as far as Allcock Corner and no further

Daniel Harrington Gershom Biglow George Brigham for Marlbo

Worcester Ss To Messrs William Onthank and Mark Collins Constables of the Town of Southbo in the county aforesd Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Innabitants of the Town of Southbo aforesd within your Respective Districts who are Qualified to Vote in Town Meetings to Assemble and meet at the publick meeting house in Said Southbo on Munday the Seventh Day of Sepr next at one of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day to act on the following articles Vizt
I To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
II To Agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone of Said Town his present years Salary Ending the 8th Day of June next
III To See if the Town will provide Some firewood for the widow Deliverance Salter
IV For Said Town to Consider of and Determine what Shall be done with Elisha Bruce and his family and to pass any legall Vote or Votes relating to & Concerning Said Bruce & family that Said Town when met shall think proper
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V For Said Town to Grant money to defray the Cost and Charge that has and may arise in Said Town by the Said Elisha and his family if Said Town when met think it necessary
VI To See if Said Town will make provision for and order the glass windows of Said Meeting House to be mended as necessary
VII To See if the Town aforesd will abate or Sink any part or the whole of the Rates Set on and assessed to John Amsden Elisha Bruce and John Clamons of Said Town that yet remains unpaid or either of them as containd in a list of Assessments Committed to Nathan Bridges
Constable to Collect for a. d. 1771
VIII To See if the Town aforesd will build New Fore Seats all round in the Mens and womens Gallery in Said Meeting House extending further out then the other Fore Seats do so as to make more Room in Sd Gallery for people to Set in and grant money to pay the Charge of the Same
IX To See if the Town aforesd will grant unto the Proprietors of the Mens Front Gallery pews in the Meeting House aforesd the ground on which the hind Seats in the Mens & Womens Front Gallery aforesd are Built and Stand on Such Conditions as the Town and Proprietors aforesd Shall agree upon when met
Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and your doings therewith unto the Selectmen of said Southbo on or before the time appointed for Said Meeting
Southbo August 24 1772

By order of the Selectmen
Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Southbo Sept the 7th 1772 I have Warned the Qualified Voters within my District to appear at time and place as within directed
Mark Collins Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss August the 26 1772 I have Executed the within Warrant

as directed
William Onthank Constable for Southbo

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Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr 7: 1772 The Town of Southbo aforesd being met pursuant to the Warrant which being read with the return thereon the meeting opened proceeded to Act Vizt.

On I Article' Chose Mr Isaac Johnson for Moderator of Said Meeting

Mr. Stones Salary L 66:13:4

On II Article' Agreed upon voted and granted the sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence lawful money to be assessed on the Poles & Rateable Estate in Said Southbo to pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone of Said Southbo his Salary for the present year of his ministry ending the Eighth Day of June next

On III Article' Voted to get Six cord of Firewood for the widow Deliverance Salter delivered at her Door where She lives four feet long

On IV & V' Article passed by and did not act on Either of them

On VI Article' Voted to mend the Meeting House Windows and Chose a Committee to mend the whole of Said Glass Windows as Necessary Voted and Chose Capt Nathan Brigham as a Committee Man to See and Get all the Glass Windows Broke in Said House Menden

S D F

On VII Article' Voted to abate and Sink L O: 11:4:3 as Set and Assessed to John Clamons in a list Committed to N. Bridges to Collect for 1771
Voted to abate 15/1 as a part of the Rate assessed to and Set on Elisha Bruce in a list Committed to Nathan Bridges to Collect for a. d. 1771
Vote concerning Sinking or abateing Jesse Amsden Rates past in the Negative

On Article VIII' Vote on this Article about building Foreseats round in the Gallery passed in the Negative

On Article IX' Vote for granting the hind Seats as Mentioned in the Article passed in the Negative

Voted to adjourn this Meeting untill the 28 Day of this Instant Sepr at three of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day and it is accordingly adjourned
Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

Worcester Ss Southborough Sepr. 28: 1772 The Town of Sd Southbo being met according to adjournment the meeting opened proceed to act vizt.
Voted and agreed with Joseph Newton to Get for the widow Deliverance Salter Six Cord of Good Firewood four feet in length to be
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Corded up at the Door of the House where she now lives on or before the first Day of Feby next and on his producing a Certificate from Mr Robert Fay that He has performed the Same The Selectmen are to give an order to the Treasurer of Said Southbo to have the twenty

Six Shillings lawfull money paid him Said Joseph as a full Recompence for the Same

[redacted]

Voted and Granted the Sum of twelve pounds lawfull money to be assessed on the Inhabitants and Rateable Estate in Said Southborough to be applied as Necessary towards the charge and Cost already arisen and that may arise by Elisha Bruce and his family and the Overplus if any there be to be put in the Treasury of Said Southbo to be disposed of to Defray other Expences in Sd Southborough as Necessary
lastly by vote the meeting is Dissolved

L 12:0:0 to pay the Charge of E. Bruce

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Benja Marsh & others to Samuel Phillips a Certifacate Shewing said Phillips to be of the Baptists Church in Sutton

Sutton August the 24: 1772

To the Selectmen or assessors of Southborough these are to Certify you that Samuel Phillips of aforesaid Southborough Does belong To the Baptist Church in sd Sutton and has Frequently partake of the Sacrament of the Lords Supper

Recd the above Certificate and Recorded the Same Octr 6: 1772 Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

Benjamin Marsh Elder

Benjamin March) by us
Nathll Jones) the
David Harwood) Subscribers

[redacted]

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Worcester Ss To Wm Onthank and Mark Collins Constables of the Town of Southbo in the county of Worcester aforesaid or Either of them Greeting

In his Majestys Name you are hereby Required forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southbo aforesd within your Respective Districts who are Qualified to Vote in Town Meetings to assemble & meet at the publick Meeting House in Southbo aforesaid on Munday the twenty fifth day of Jany Instant at twelve of the Clock at noon on Said Day to Act on the following Articles Vizt.

I To chuse a Moderator for said Meeting

II For the Town to hear consider of Determine and act Upon and pass any legall vote or votes as they Shall when met think proper in consequence of and Concerning or Relating to a motion made by the Town of Boston as contained and Set forth in a letter and Pamphlet/ which letter is dated Novr 20: 1772 tho but lately recd/ in which is Set forth what Said Boston has done by way of asserting the Rights of the Colonys viz as men as Christians & as Subjects with the Infringements upon those Rights but more Especially as relating to this Province

III To See if this Town of Southbo aforesd will Make Sale of the Cloathing and other Articles as Bed and Beding etc that was Used for the Support of Nathanael Beals late of Southbo which Articles belong to Said Southbo and pass any legall Vote or Votes concerning the Same that may by Said Southbo be thot necessary when met

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IV To Hear adjust and allow the acct. of Wm. Onthank for taking care of Said Nathaneel Beals a part of the present if they See Cause when met

V To hear and allow the Acct. of any other person or persons to whom the Town of Southbo aforesaid is Justly indebted in Consequence of the Death & burial of Said Beals if they think proper

Hereof fail not and Make due return of this Warrant and your doings therewith unto the Selectmen
of

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of Said Southborough on or before the time appointed for Said Meeting Dated at Southborough aforesd Jany the Eleventh Day anno, Domini 1773

Signed by order of the Selectmen
pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss By virtue of this Warrant I have warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough as within to meet according to Time and place within mentioned

William Onthank
Constable of Southborough

Worcester Ss Southborough Jany 25: 1773 I have Warned the Qualified Voters within my District to appear at time and place as within mentioned

Mark Collins Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss Southborough Jany 25: 1773 The Town of Southbo aforesd being met the Warrents with the Return thereon Read the Meeting opened then proceeded to act viz.

I Chose Isaac Johnson for Moderator of said Meeting
2d Vote to see if the Town will pass any Vote and do anything Consequent on what the Town of Boston has done & Communicated by their committee to said Southbo relating to the Priviledge of and the Infringments made upon the rights of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay past in the Negative
3d Voted to Sell the articles that was made use of For Nathl Beals late of Southbo decd
4 Voted to Sell Said Articles at Vendue to the highest bidder
5 Voted that Jonas Ball be Vendue Master to Sell the above Mentioned Articles
6 Voted that the above Articles be sold this day and evening to the highest Bider and the proceeds thereof to be paid to the Selectmen of Sd Southbo on or be the next annual March Meeting in Said Southbo

	L	d
7 Allowed and Granted Nathan Bridges Six Shillings) for making the Coffin for Nathanael Beals aforesd)	0	6 : 0

8 Voted to and do reconsider the Several Votes relating to the Selling the above Articles and Chusing the Vendue Master for the Same
9th By Vote the above Meeting is Dissolved

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

Recorded the aforegoing Warrant & proceedings of the Town of Southbo thereon

Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Southbo in the County of Worcester Feby 10: 1773 having Examined the Acct of Mr. John

Temple as he is Treasurer for the Town of Southbo aforesaid for the present year of his Treasureship ending March next find that He has been Chargeable with the sum of one hundred and thirty one pound two Shillings three pence three farthings s d L 131:2:3:3

And that He has produced proper Vouchers) Shewing that He has paid one hundred Twenty) 121:12:1:1 one pound twelve Shillings one penny one farthing)

And there now Remains Nine pounds Ten Shillings) two pence two farthings as a Balance for which) L s d f the Said Temple as Treasurer aforesaid is Account- 9:10:2:2 able Exclusive of what is assessed for the year a. d. 1772)

Recorded Feby 11: 1773
Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

Isaac Johnson) Selectmen
John Fay) For Said
Jona Ward) Southbo
Manasseh Stow)

Worcester Southborough March 1: 1773 Pursuant to the law of the Province We the Subscribers have appointed Mr David Newton of Southbo aforesd to be Sealer of Weights and Measures in and for Said Southbo the year Ensuing and untill another be chosen and Sworn in his Room

Timo Brigham) Selectmen
Jona Ward) of Said
Wm Collins) Southbo
Josiah Fay)

Joseph Newton) Constables of
Mark Collins) said Southbo

Stones Rect for Sallery Recorded
Southborough Jany 12: 1773 Then Recd of Mr John Temple Town Treasurer the Sum of Sixty five pounds thirteen shillings and four pence lawfull money in full of my sallery for the year 1771 I say rec'd by me

Nathan Stone

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Worcester Ss To Messrs William Onthank and Mark Collins Constables for the Town of Southborough in the County of Worcester aforesaid or Either of them Greeting
In his Majestys Name you are hereby required duly to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town Qualified for voting in Town Meetings to Assemble and Meet at the publick Meeting House in said Southbo on Munday the first day of March next at twelve of the clock at noon to act on the following articles viz.
I To Chuse a Moderator for Said meeting
2 To Chuse Town Officers as the Law Directs
3 To Chuse men to Inspect the Killing Deer Contrary to Law
4 To Chuse Grave Diggers a Pound Keeper and a person to Sweep the Meeting House and to Lock and unlock the Door of the Same the year ensuing
5 To agree upon and grant a sum of money to repair Highways in Said Town the year ensuing
6 To Chuse a committee to hire a School master for Said Town the year Ensuing

7 To agree upon and grant a sum of money to pay a School master and other Town Debts the year ensuing
8 To consider of and allow and Town debts that shall be brought in by those to whom the Town aforesaid is Justly Indebted
9 To See if the Town will determine by Vote to let their Swine run at large the year ensuing
10 To See if the Town will determine by vote to move the School into the Several parts of the Town the year ensuing as they did the last year or any other way they See cause when met
11 To Chuse a Committee to Squadron out the School if they See Cause
12 To hear the Report of the Selectmen Containing the return of a Road by them laid out begining at the Road between Phineas Bruces and Angle Brook Bridge (So Called) and runing Northerly etc--to the line betwixt Marlbo and Southbo and act and pass any legall vote thereon that may be by said Town thot proper when met
13 To See if the Town of Southbo aforesaid will discontinue & make Sale of any part or the whole of the cross road leading from John Angiers toward Southbo meeting House till it enters into the road leading from Samuel Phillips to Jotham Bellows under Such Restrictions and on Such conditions as the Town when met may think proper and pass any legall Vote or Votes concerning the Same that, Shall be proper or necessary

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14 To See if the Town will give leave & liberty to any of the Inhabitants of Said Town of Southborough to make use of the work House in Said Town on Sabbath Days under such Restrictions and on Such Conditions as Said Town when met may think proper or pass any legall Vote Concerning the Same that may be proper
15 To See if the Town will give Orders for purchasing New Books to Keep the Records of Said Town in and pass any legall vote Concerning the Same that shall be necessary
16 To See if the Town will do anything by way of Assertaining the Rights and Priviledges of this Province and also the Infringements upon those Rights and pass any legally vote concerning the Same that may be thought proper by said Town when met and also Know thereby whether the Report of the Committee of the Town of Boston relating to the Same be true or false as is Set forth by Some
17 To Chuse an Agent or Agents to make Answer at the next court of Sessions to be held in Worcester for the County of Worcester to the Presentment against Said Southbo for not having a part of the County Road leading thro the same in good repair and pass any legall vote concerning the same that may be proper
18 To See if the Town will Shut up any part or the whole of the Road that leads from the widow Salters by Joseph Balls now dwelling House till it enters into the Road Easterly of Said Balls House that leads to Wm Onthanks and let the Same to Said Ball on Such terms and Conditions as Said Southbo may think proper and that may be agreed on and pass any legall votes that may be proper about the Same

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and your proceedings therewith unto the Selectmen of Said Town on or before the time appointed for said Meeting Signed by order of the Selectmen

Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss Feby the 27: 1773 By Virtue of this Warrant I have Warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Southbo to meet according to time and place within mentioned by posting up a notification according to the Vote of the Town
William Onthank Constable for Southborough

The foregoing Warrant Recorded by
Jona Ward Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss Southbo March 1st day a. d. 1773 The Town of Southbo aforesd Being legally met the warrants with the Return thereon Read the Meeting Opened then proceeded to Act

On Article I Chose Isaac Johnson Moderator of Said Meeting

On Article 2d) Chose for Wardens) 1 Robert Fay
2d Solomon Newton

Chose for Selectmen
1 Timo Brigham Esqr.
2 Jona Ward
3 Isaac Johnson
4 William Collins
5 Josiah Fay

Town Clerk Jona Ward
Town Treasurer John Temple
Constables Viz. Bezaleel Walker for the West end and by vote accepted Mark Collins in his Room & Stead Joseph Newton for the East End
Assessors Selectmen by a Vote not to chuse other Assessors
Tythingmen
1 Hezekiah Fay
2d Elijah Bellows
3d Capt Aaron Fay
Deer reeves
Jonas Ball, 2d Capt Nathan Brigham
Field Drivers
John Angier & Excused him by a Vote of the Town
Field Drivers
Daniel Johnson
Asahel Moore
Surveyors of Highways & Collectors of the money Granted for repairing the Same
1 Peter Brewer
2d William Brigham
3d Benja Parker
4th Seth Newton
Sealer of Leather John Angier
Fence Viewers Viz 1 Wm Onthank 2d Peter Brewer
Committee to hire a Schoolmaster Jona Ward
Capt Aaron Fay & Elijah Bellows
Hogreeves Ezra Newton Nathan Fay Nathanael Fay, John Johnson
Grave Diggers Nathan Bridges & Jotham Bellows
Pound Keep Joshua Smith
Doorkeeper and Sweeper of the Meeting House Joshua Smith
Worcester Ss March the 1: 1773 I Certify that the aforesaid Officers this day chosen Severally took the Oaths belonging to their Several
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Officers and the Oath relating to the Bill of Credit of the Neigh-

boring Governments
Coram Ezra Taylor Justice pacis

L 90:0:0 Voted and Granted to repair highways ninety pounds to be assessed on the Inhabitants and Estates of Said Town

To pay Town debts granted L 50: Voted and Granted Fifty pounds to be levied and assessed on the Inhabitants and Estates of Said Town to pay a School master and other Town Debts the year ensuing--

Granted to Joshua Newton the Ballance due to him) out of L 6:4:0:2 for keeping Elisha Bruce and family) and other things done for sd Family and for damage) of loused by them to Newton having recd of the Select) men as Overseer of the poor L 0:18:8d of Sd Sum) leaves due and is granted--- 5:5:4:2

Granted Capt Nathan Brigham the Sum of fifty three Shillings) and 2d for geting & paying for mending the meeting House) Windows in Said Town the year past...) 2:13:2:0

Adjourned this meeting till to Morrow being the 2d Instant at one of the clock in the afternoon on Said day pr Isaac Johnson Moderator

Worcester Ss Southbo March 2d one of the clock A. M. 1773 The Town aforesd being met agreeable to the adjournment the meeting opened proceeded to Act
Vote being put to Chuse Overseers of the poor past in the Negative

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Granted Asahel Moore for making Rates and drawing Warrants	0-16-0-0
Granted Nathan Bridges for making Town Stocks	0- 3-4-0
Granted Deacon John Fay for settling Invoice & paying for copys	0-5-6-0
Granted Joshua Smith as doorkeeper of ye meeting house	0-15-0-0
Granted Samuel Bellows Junr for going to Worcester for a coroner	0-6-0-0
Granted John Johnson for keeping & Cloathing etc for Elisha Bruce Son	1-13-11-0
Granted Mr John Temple for his Service as Treasurer	0-12-0-0
Granted Jotham Bellows for diging grave for Nathl Beels	0-6-0-0
Granted Jona Ward Ballance due to him for articles found for Mrs Bodinham & Beels & Cash paid for records & making Rates etc	1-16-0-3
Granted Onthank for conveying Elisha Bruce and family to Hopkinton	14-0-0
Granted Zeruiah Williams for keeping Wido Bodinham	3-4-4-2
Granted Wm Winchester for taking care of Mrs Bodinham $26\frac{5}{7}$ weeks at 3/5: 2 per week is 4:9:11d & added 6/ for her being unwell	4-15-11-0
Granted Nathanael Fay for keeping & Cloathing a son of Elisha Bruce	1:1:1:1
Granted Benjamin Parker for keeping a Daughter of Sd Elisha Bruce	0:12:8

Granted to Isaac Johnson 0:3:6
Granted to Wm Onthank for boarding & Some Cloathing for N Beals decd 6:5:1
Total of the above Grants amount to L 31:14:0:0

Voted to let the Swine Run at large the year ensuing in Sd Town
Voted to move the School the year ensuing Viz. to Begin
1st at the South Side 3d at the West end
2d at the East End 4th at the Center --of said Town

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Voted to chuse a committee to Squadron out the School
Committee) 1 Manasseh Stow
to Squadron) Chose 2d Nathan Bridges
out the School) 3d Ephraim Ward
4 Edw Chamberlain

On Article 12 ' The Report of the Selectmen concerning a Road being made which is as follows Southborough Decr 4: 1772 By the request of a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of Southbo the Selectmen of Said Town have viewed and laid out a Road where according to information land has been by the Proprietors of Marlbo Westbo and Southbo left for the same which is as follows Viz. Begining at the time betwixt Marlbo and Southbo aforesaid on the Westerly part of pine Hill (so called) on the Westerly Side of a lot of land laid out to Solomon Newton and running by Said lott S. 11 degree W. 30 rods to a heap of Stones being a corner of said lott of land then runing 39 degrees W. 36 rods by land laid out to Timo Brigham Esqr. to a heap of Stones then S. 41 Degrees W. 22d rods by land of Jona Newton to a heap of Stones then S. 16 degrees W. 24 rod partly by land of Said Newton and partly by Common land to a Gray Oak Tree Marked R. the Said Road being laid from Marlbo line aforesd to Said Oak Two rods wide then it runs S 21 ds East encreasing in wedth and runs by Common land on the Northeasterly Side ten rods to a white Oak Tree marked R. Said Road against Said Tree last mentioned is Twelve rods wide then it runs S. 35 degrees E by Common land on the North Easterly Side twenty six rods to a Rock with a heap of Stones on the same which Rock & Stones is Reputed to be the Northwesterly corner of the land of Phineas Bruce said Road against Said Rock, is 4½ rods wide and is Bounded on the other side from against the aforesd grey oak Tree as the Fence now Stands till it comes against Said Rock and Stones then it runs South 20 d E. between Said Bruces land 10 rods to a birtch and Stones where it is but two rods wide then S 3 d. E. between the land of Sd Bruce and the land of Samuel Newton 17 rods to a Birtch and Stones then S. 16 D. W. between Said last Mentioned lands 10 rods to a post and Stones then S. 49 D. W. by the Same land 37 rods to the Road leading from Said Bruces over Angle Brook Bridge So called Said Road Continues to be full two rods in width to the end last mentioned having all the above mentioned boundarys Excepting the fence aforesaid are on the most easterly Side of Said Road the return of which Road as laid out and discribed as above is now submited to the Town of Southbo for their acceptance by
After the Town had heard the above Return of Said Road Isaac Johnson) Selectmen
John Fay) of Said

the Same was by Vote accepted Jona Ward) Southbo
and Established to be as Manaseh Stow)
above
On Article'
13th ' Concerning the Cross Road leading from John Angiers over Stoney Brook and So extending till it enters into the Road leading from Samuel Phillips to Jotham Bellows
1st Voted to discontinue and make sale of a Part of the Road aforesaid may be agreed on

Voted

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2d Voted to discontinue and make sale of the whole of the Road aforesaid Excepting and reserving two rods in width on the Easterly & Northeasterly Side of the Same from Said Angiers to the Road aforesaid leading from Sd Phillips to Sd Bellows and also further reserving the road four Rods in wedth on or from each Side of Stoney Brook where Sd Road Crosseth the Said Brook between Sd Angiers & the road that leads as aforesd from Sd Phillips
3d Voted to and do discontinue the Road as reserved as above from being an open Road and make it a Bridle way--reserving full liberty of passing and repassing with Teams Carriages and Horses and any other way as Necessary thro' Gates and Bars-
4th Voted and Granted to Samuel Phillips his Heirs and Assigns forever all that part of the aforesaid Cross Road lying on the Westerly Side of said Brook voted as above to be Sold being by Estimation Two acres more or less for Six pounds for which he gave a note and is discharge
5ly Voted and Granted to Samuel Phillips and his aforesaid leave to improve that part of the aforesaid road lying on the westerly Side of Said Brook which is voted as above to be improved as a Bridle road He paying said Town Six Shillings a year during the Towns Pleasure and Maintaining good Gates one at Said Brook where Said Road passeth Over the same the other Gate where it enters into the open Road which is to be used
6ly Voted to John Angier liberty to improve all the aforesaid land Contained in the Said Road on the Easterly Side of Said Brook he Keeping a good Gate and allowing people to pass and repass as necessary from time to time during the Towns pleasure
Voted to adjourn the aforesaid Meeting untill Munday next at one of the Clock in the afternoon on Said Day being the eighth day of this Instant March

13th Worcester Ss Southboro March 8: 1773 The Town of Southbo aforesaid being met at one of the clock P. M. according to the adjournment meeting opened proceeded to act Viz.
The Vote being put to See if Said Southbo will discontinue and Make Sale of all the aforesd Road on the S. E. Side of Sd Brook Excepting & reserving from Sd Brook 4 r. in wedth on the N. Easterly Side of Sd road & four Rods in length from Sd Brook and then two rods in wedth till it comes out into the Road by John Angiers House and liberty for Nathan Bridges to pass and repass out of his land across that part of Said road to be Sold to Sd Angier into & from that part which is reserved two rods wider on the N. Easterly Side of that which is Sold to Sd Angier his heirs and assigns forever he paying Sd Southbo
And he Sd Angier binding himself and his aforesaid to accept of the other part as a Bridle way and never trying for an Open Road but to

oppose having an Open Road
The above Vote being read was discarded & Set a Side
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On 14th'
Article' The Vote to let the work House past in the Negative

On 15th'
Article' Voted to purchase New Books to keep the Records of Sd Town of Southbo in
Voted that Jonathan Ward purchase Sd Books

On the 16th'
Article 1 ' Voted unanimosly that the Rights & Priviledges of this Province is Infringed upon
2 Vote The Vote to chuse a Committee to Set forth the Right of this Province and Set forth the Infringements upon those Rights past in the Negative
3ly Voted to act further upon this 16 Article
4ly Voted to chuse a Committee to Draw up and Sett forth in writing the Rights and Priviledges of this Province and also the Infringments that have been made upon the Same
5th Voted to have Seven Committee men-and by vote Chose Viz. 1 Timo Brigham Esqr. 2d John Temple 3d Jona Ward 4th Nathan Bridges 5th Isaac Johnson 6th Asahel Moore 7 Doct J Parker
Voted that the above Committee make Report of the Rights and Priviledges of this Province and the Infringements on those Rights the next time this Town meets in Town meeting either by an adjournment of this meeting or any other legall Town Meeting being the first
Voted that the above Committee set forth whether the Report of the Town of Boston is true as Set forth by them relating to the Said Rights and Infringments on the Rights of Said Province as containd in their Pamphlet Dated Novr 20 1772
(or whether the Same be false as is Said by Some)

On the 17' Voted to chuse Agents to make answer to the Presentment
Article ' made against the Town of Southbo aforesd for not having the County Road in Same in good Repair

Agents for' Voted that Manasseh Stow be the 1st agent Jonas Ball 2d
road 1773 ' agent Jona Ward the 3d Agent and that Either or any one of them appear at the next Court of Sessions to be held at Worcester and Conduct in the affair as proper-
Voted to pursue the Same at next June Term by Said Agents or any one of them if not finished before and untill it is ended-

On the 18' Voted to Discontinue the Open use of the Road leading
Article ' from the Widow Salters by-

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On the 18' Joseph Balls House to the Road that leads to Wm Onthanks
Article ' and let Said Ball have the use of the Same for one year
He paying Said Town Six Shillings and erect and Maintain a good Gate at each end of Said Discontinued Road which Six Shillings Jonas Ball ingaged Should be paid to Said Southborough
Lastly vote to and adjourned the aforesaid meeting to the Seventeenth day of May next at one of the clock in the afternoon on Said Day then to meet at the meeting House aforesd and hear the Report of

the Committee aforesd etc

Attest Isaac Johnson
Moderator

the aforegoing proceedings
of Southbo is Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Munday May the 17: 1773 The Town being met according to an adjournment from March 8th 1773 the meeting Opened proceeded to act Viz. Voted to accept three record books bought by Jona Ward by order of the Town-
Granted for Said Books and Trouble to Jona Ward) L 1:6:8d

Granted Joshua Newton for keeping the widow Susannah Boddingnam from March the 1th to this Day-L 2:0:8d

Voted to accept of the Report of the committee chosen to assert the Rights and Infringements on the Rights of this Province
Voted that the Town Clerk Transmit a Coppy of the Report to the Committee of Correspondency in Boston See the report as recorded the next Page
Adjourned the aforesd meeting to 7 of the clock in the afternoon on this day
Opened this meating according to the hour adjourned to Granted Joshua Newton 2/8 more for keeping the wd Susannah Boddingnam adjourned this meeting untill Munday the 24th day of this Instant at 11 of the clock in the forenoon to meet at this place and which is done by Vote of the Town attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

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Report of a Committee of Rights
The Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough being legally assembled in Town Meeting on May 17: 1773 and Considering the Gloom that Vails the British Nation; That her Colonys in America are Environed with many Embarrasments that this in particular is in a very Alarming Condition which arises from the many attempts and inroads made tending to the vocation of our Charter and the removal of our Rights and Priviledges The Making Our Governor and the Judges of the Superior Court Independent of the people, the great Extentioned of the power of the admiralty, the Establishing a Board of Commissioners with Such an Unlimitted power, The attempting to Establishing a King, Council in the Room of our own the Removing from us that most darling Priviledge of Tryals by Jurys, the act of Parliament that Prohibit the conveying certain Commoditys raised and manufactored on our own Farms from one Plantation to another etc also the act by which persons are to be Taken from us & carried to any Shire in England for trial of the offence they are Accused of against Said act: the assuming power to Subject us to Parliamentary Legislation and Taxation: the obstructing us in the enjoyment of the priviledge granted by the act or Statute of Parliament Called the bill of Rights with many other proceedings all of which we look upon as unconstitutional and a Striking proof of a Desire to take away part if not the whole Fabrick of our Constitution which ought Suitably to engage us in every Constitutional method for a redress of grievances and whoever Deprives the Subject of the Same divert the Subject of the priviledge which the aforesaid

Act: (Called the bill of Rights) was made to Support Wherefore we are of the Opinion that a loyal Remonstrance and petition to the King Containing our grievances and praying for a Removal of the Same and that hose acts and Ministerial proceedings that are unconstitutional and Anticommertial may no longer take place and in order that the same may be effectual to obtain our much wished for happiness we are of the opinion that a proper correspondency of Towns & Colonys is a Salutary and Nesessary (and is also agreeable to and Justifiable by the aforesaid act called the bill of Rights) to come into in this Day in order for obtaining in a

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Constitutional way (with a proper Dependence on him who has the hearts of all men at his disposal) the full enjoyment of all our Rights and priviledges Civil and religious and of having that love & harmony Subsist between Great Brittan and her Colonys which may make both to rejoyce and Seek each others propriety--And as to our Rights and priviledges with the Infringements on the Same We look upon it that they are truly & well stated by the Committee of the Town of Boston to whom we return our thanks for the early and perserving method taken in Constitutional ways for the Support of the Same

Timo Brigham) Committee
Isaac Johnson) of Rights
Nathan Bridges) etc
Asahel Moore)
Jona Ward)

March Meeting being Continued to May 24: 1773 and the Town being met the meeting opened according to the adjournment then adjourned the meeting to four of the clock in the afternoon on this Day

The Town being met the meeting Opened according to the Adjournment proceeded to act viz.

Voted to accept of the Gates and Bars made and Erected by Joseph Ball at each end of the land leased or rented to him as aforesd in this meeting held in March last

Lastly by Vote Dissolved the aforesaid meeting

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

Recorded by Jonathan Ward Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss To Messrs Mark Collins Joseph Newton Constables of the Town of Southbo in the County aforesaid Greeting

In his Majestys Name you are hereby required forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in Sd Town who are Qualified agreeable to Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative to Assemble & meet at the publick meeting House in said Town on Munday the 24th Day of this Instant May at nine of the Clock in the forenoon on Said Day Viz.

I For Sd Town to Elect and Depute one or more persons legally Qualified to Represent them in the great and General Court or Assembly appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majestys Service at the court House in Boston in the province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England on Wednesday the 26th Day of this Instant May at nine of the clock in the morning and So De Die in Diem during their Session or Sessions if they think proper & if not then to answer the presept Some other way

II To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining work of Said Meeting--

III To See if the Town will and abate the Rates assessed to & on the Pole of Peter Brewer Junr and to Mr Benja Crosby for the Rate of his Son Charles as Set in a list of Assessment Committed to Wm Onthank as Constable a. d. 1772 to Collect and also to abate and Sink the Rate assessed to Benja Treadway as Set in a list of Assessment Committed to Josiah Fay as Constable a. d. 1770 to Collect--
IV To See if the Town will discontinue and make Sale of a part and how great a part of the Road leading from Deacon David Woods toward Marlboro beginning at the Southerly end of Capt Aaron Fays wood lott lying on the Westerly Side of Said Road and Sell the Same Discontinued part of Said Road to Said Fay on Conditions that may then be agreed on
V To See if the Town will chuse Agents to make Enquiry and Search To See and find out who has in Said Southbo made an incroachment on any of the Roads or ways in Said Town and make report to the Said Town who has where and how much he or they have Encroached on Said Road or ways that so said Encroachers may be proceeded in law unless Said Encroachments are immediately removed and the charge arising
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by the Same paid by the offender or offenders and pass any other legal vote concerning the Same that may be necessary
VI For Said Town to chuse Agents to appear at the next Court of General Sessions to be held in Worcester for Said County to make Answer to the Complaint of the Town of Hopkinton Relating to the Removal and Support of Elisha Bruce and Esther his wife and a Number of their Children and pursue the matter to final end and pass any other vote concerning the Same that may be necessary
VII For Said Town to Chuse Agents to answer at the next Court of Sessions to be held at Worcester aforesaid etc to the complaint & petition of John Angier and others concerning the Cross Road that leads from Sd Angiers to the Road leading from Samuel Phillips to Jotham Bellows and pass any other legal Vote about it that may be necessary
VIII To See if Said Southbo will order that every person who Shall for the future bring take or receive any person or persons into Said Southbo and not give Notice as the law directs Shall be freed for the fine and pass any other legall vote or votes concerning the Same that may be necessary
IX To hear a letter recd from the Town of Boston and the proceedings of Said Town at their meeting held an adjournment to and on the 8th Day of March last & act thereon as they See Cause when met
X To Hear a list of Jurors and Separate one Quarter part for the Superior Box as by Law
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant & your doings herewith unto the Selectmen of Said Southbo at or before the time appointed for said meeting Dated at Southbo aforesd May 17th Day a. d. 1773
Signed by order of the Selectmen pr Jona Ward Town Clerk

Southbo May 24: 1773 In Obedience to this Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants in the East part or Squadron of Said Town which are Qualified to Vote in the choice of a Representative to meet at time and place mentioned in Said Warrant Joseph Newton Constable for Southbo

Southbo May 24th 1773 I have Warned the Qualified Voters within my District to appear at time and place as within directed
pr Mark Collins Constable for Southborough

Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss May 24: 1773 The Town of Southbo being met the Warrants with the return thereon and the precept for a Representative read the Meeting Opened proceeded to Act Viz:

On Article' The Vote being put to See if the Town will send a
I 1st ' Representative it past in the affirmative
2nd Voted and Chose John Temple Representative for the Town aforesd for the year ensuing--
Mr John Temple absolutely refuses to Serve as a Representative for the year ensuing
3rd Chose Colo. Timo Brigham to Represent them in the Great and General Assembly of Said Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England the year ensuing

On Article' Chose Isaac Johnson Moderator of Sd Meeting
II '

Article III' The Vote to Sink the Rate Set to Peter Brewer Junr as Set in the list Committed to Wm Onthank as Constable for a. d. 1772 to Collect past in the affirmative
being L 0:9:11d=1 h .

Voted to Sink the Rate Set to Benja Crosby for his Son Charles in the above Said list Committed to Sd Onthank
being L 0:9:11d=1 h

Voted not to Sink the Rate Set and assessed to Benja Treadway as Set in a list Committed to Josiah Fay as Constable for a. d. 1770 to Collect-by Negative

Article IV' Voted to pass over it at the desire of Capt Aaron Fay

Article V' The Vote for acting on the fifth Article passed in the Negative & then voted to pass it over

On Article' Voted to chuse Agents to answer at the next Court of
VI ' Sessions to be holden in the county of Worcester to the Complaint of the Town of Hopkinton Exhibited the last Court of Sessions
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against Said Southborough relating to the removal and Support of Elisha Bruce and Esther Bruce his wife with a Number of their Children
Voted to chuse Three agents that any one or more of them be sufficient to manage in the affair betwixt Hopkinton and Southbo aforesd relating to the removal and Support of Elisha Bruce and Esther & Some of their children and conduct the affair to final end
1 Chose Isaac Johnson for the 1st Agent

2 Chose Josiah Fay for the 2d Agent
3 Chose Jona Ward for the 3d agent

Adjourned this meeting till 3 of the clock in the afternoon on this Day pr Isaac Johnson Moderator

Southbo May 24th 3 of the clock afternoon the Town being met the Meeting opened according to the adjournment proceeded to act

Voted to See if the Town will open that part of the Road called the Bridle Way leading from John Angiers across to the Road leading from Saml Phillips to Jotham Bellows and Sell said part of Said Road on the S. E. Side of Stoney Brook to Sd Angier on Conditition Said Angier pay a reasonable or moderate price for the land and Said Angier and others build a Bridge and Causey over and on each Side Said Brook to the Towns acceptance passed in the Negative

Voted to Chuse 3 agents to answer the petition of John Angier and others relating to the Cross Road leading from Sd Angiers to the Road leading from Samuel Phillips to Jotham Bellows; which has been Exhibited to the last Court of General Sessions held in Worcester for Said County and any one or more of them to be Sufficient to act and Manage the affair to final End

1 Chose Capt Nathan Brigham for an agent
2 Chose Manasseh Stow for an agent, Excused by Vote
3 Chose Solomon Newton Agent
4 Chose Wm Collins

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On Article' Voted that any person or persons who Shall for the
VIII ' future take or receive any person or persons into
Southbo and not give notice thereof as the law of the Province directs Shall be prosecuted for the fine

On Article' Vote to act upon the Same passed in the Negative
IX '

On Article' Voted & accepted of the list of Jurors and Separated
X ' one fourth part of the Same to be put into the Box for the Superior Court

Lastly Voted to and disolve the aforesaid Meeting

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator
Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Hopkin- Worcester Ss To the Honourable his Majestys Justices of the Court of
ton's General Sessions of the peace holden at Worcester within and for
Com Joint the County of Worcester on the last Tuesday of March a. d. 1773
about Elisha
Bruce and Family Recorded

Humbly Shew
Thomas Mellon Samuel Chamberlain Moses Haven William Andrews & Gilbert Dench, Selectmen & Overseers of the poor of the Town of Hopkinton in the County of Middlesex That on the 28th Day of

September last upon the Complaint of the Selectmen of the Town of Southbo in the County of Worcester the Worshipfull Artemas Ward Esqr. One of the Justices of the peace within and for the Same County was pleased to Issue his Warrant under his hand and Seal directed to the Constables of Said Town of Southbo or Either of them requiring them forthwith to convey one Elisha Bruce & Esther his wife and their children Ruth Bruce Anna Bruce Hezekiah Bruce Elisha Bruce Jun.' and Submit Bruce from Southbo aforesd to Hopkinton aforesd whereupon William Onthank one of the Constables of Southbo aforesd on the first day of Octr last by virtue of Said Warrant did remove the Sd Elisha Bruce with his Sd Wife and Children before Named from Southbo to Hopkinton aforesd and there delivered them to One of the Selectmen of the Same Town where they Have ever since remained and Still Remain Supported at the Charge of the Said Town of Hopkinton which proceedings and removal your Complainant Humbly apprehend to be altogether erroneus and Illegal

I Because neither the Said Elisha Bruce nor his said Wife nor either of his said children were at the Time of Issuing the Warrant aforesd or at the time of their removal aforesaid the proper poor of the said Town of Hopkinton nor was that Town then the place of their or Either of their last Residence nor was the Said Town of Hopkinton then or at any Time Since by law liable to the charge of their Maintainance

2 Because Previous to the Issuing the Warrant aforesaid neither the Said Artemas Ward Esqr nor any other Justice or Justices of the peace had heard the cause or determined that the Sd Elisha Bruce his sd wife and children or any of them were poor & Stood in Need of Relief

3 Because the Said Artemas Ward Esqr Issued his Warrant aforesaid witnout having first Notified any of the Inhabitants Selectmen or Overseers of the poor of Said Hopkinton to appear & Shew cause if any they had why the Sd Elisha his Sd Wife and Children or any of them ought not to be removed to Hopkinton aforesaid Neither had the Said Inhabitants Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor or any of them Ever any Day before the Sd Justice nor were they ever heard upon the Premises

4 Because the Sd Artemas Ward Esqr. did never order adjudge and determine that the Said Elisha his Said Wife & Children or any of them were Inhabitants of or did belong to or had their last Residence in the Said Town of Hopkinton nor has any order or adjudication of Settlemen or Remove ever been made by the Sd Artemas Ward Esqr or any other Justice or Court upon or concerning the Premise

and

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and all this the Sd Complainants are Ready to verify wherefore they pray that this Honourable Court would Quash the proceedings aforesd or otherwise would Proceed to hear & Determine upon the Premises & whether the Said Elisha his Sd wife & Children or any of them are poor and Stand in Need of Relief and if so then to what Town they properly belong and what Town or persons are by law liable to bear the charge of their Support and maintainance and that they may be ordered to be removed back to Southbo aforesd & that the Town may be ordered to reimburst to the Said Town of Hopkinton the Charges they have already been at or may hearafter be at by reason of the Removal aforesaid Untill the final Determination of this Court together with

the Reasonable Costs of this application and as in Duty Bound etc

Jona Sewel for the Complainant

Worcester Ss Anno Regii Regis Georgii Tertii Magnie Britania Francii et Hiberniee Decimo Tertis-----at a Court of General Sessions of the peace begun & held at Worcester within and for the County of Worcester on the last Tuesday of March anno que Domini 1773 Read & ordered that the Petitioners Serve the Inhabitants of the Town of Southbo in Sd County with a Coppy of this Petition by leaving a Coppy of the Same with the Clerk of Said Town that So they Shew Cause if any they have at the next Court of General Sessions of the peace to be held at Worcester on the Second Tuesday of June next why the prayer of Said Petition Should not be granted to which the further Consideration of Sd Petition is Continued

Attest Timo Paine Cler Pacis

Coppy

Coppy Examined pr Timo Paine Cler Pacis

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Complaint & Petition of John Angier & others about a Road

Worcester Ss To the Honble his Majestys Justices of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace held at Worcester within and for Said County on the last Tuesday of March A. D. 1773 Humbly Sheweth The Subscribers all Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town Southborough--

That the Inhabitants of Said Town at a Town Meeting held there on the Second Day of March Currant Voted to Discontinue a Part of a Town way leading from John Angiers into the Road leading from Samuel Phillips's to Jotham Bellows's viz By Setting off four rods on the Westerly Side of Said Road & leaving only Two Rod in wedth for a way and on the Same Day Voted to Discontinue the Said way from being an open Road and make it a Bridle way for passing through gates & Bars & have leased the Same out at the Miserable Sum of one Dollar a Year Now your petitioners would Humbly Suggest to your Honours that the aforesaid way is an ancient way Laid by the original Proprietors of old Marlborough about Seventy years ago for a Road to the Clay Pitts and Since Southborough was Incorporated they Established and recorded the Same as a way & it has Since the first laying out been Known and improved as away & your Petitioners being So Situated as Some of them must be obliged--eithur to travel more then one hundred Rods Round or else of opening or Shuting three or four pair of Bars or Gates Every time they attend the Publick Worship which must be Extreamly burthensome for them & their Familys for which Reasons

and

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and many more which might be mentioned your Petitioners Pray that they may be Releived in the Premises agreeable to Law in Such Case made and Provided

John Angier
Joseph Newton
John Newton
Amos Newton
His
Richd X Tozer
Mark

Worcester Ss at a Court of General Sessions of the peace began and held at Worcester within and for the county of Worcester on the last Tuesday of March anno que Domini 1773-

Read and ordered that the Petitioners Notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough in Said County (by leaving a Copy of this petition with the Clerk) to appear if they see Cause at the next Court of General Sessions of the peace to be held at Worcester within & for Sd County on the Second Tuesday of June next & Shew Cause (if any they have) why the prayer of Said Petition Should not be Granted to which Time the further consideration of this Petition is Continued

Attest Timo Paine Cler Pacis

Coppy Examined pr Timo Paine Cler Pais

John Angiers peti
Coppy.....1/
Entry etc....2/8
3/8

Recorded the aforegoing by
Jona Ward Town Clerk

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Samuel Phillips Certificate dated July 3d 1773 Recd July 19th 1773

Sutton July the 3d 1773

To the Selectmen or assessors of Southbro Thess are to Sertify you that Samuel Phillips of your Towne Dous Belong to the first Baptist Church in Sd Sutton and Dous Frequently Pertake of the Sacrament of the Lord Supper

Benjamin Marsh Elder) by us the
David White)
Benjamin Marsh) Subscribers
David Harwood)

of him and

Recorded July the 23d 1773
attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

Worcester Ss To Messrs Marsh Collins and Joseph Newton Constables of the Town of Southbo in the county of Worcester aforesd or either of them Greeting In His Majestys Name you are hereby Required forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough aforesaid within your Respective Districts who are Qualified to vote in Town Meetings to assemble and Meet at the publick Meeting House on Munday the 23d Day of this Instant August at one of the clock in the afternoon on Said Day to Act on the following Articles

Viz. I To Chuse a Moderator for said Meeting

II For the Town to agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to Pay the Revd Mr Nathan Stone of Said Southbo his present years Salary ending the eighth Day of June next

III To See if the Town will provide Firewood for the widow Deliverance Salter the year ensuing

IV To hear and See if the Town will accept of what Ezra Taylor Esqr. Deacon John Fay & Manasseh Stow have as agents for said Southbo transacted and Done in Settling the line between Southbo & Marlborough and pass any legal vote concerning the same that may be necessary when met

V To Hear the petition of a Number of the Inhabitants of Said Southbo relating to the controversy between said Southbo and Hopkinton about the Support of Elisha Bruce and his Family and

See Whether Said Southbo will accept of any Term or offers heretofor made or to be made by the Town of Hopkinton in a legall manner and Settle the affair with Said Hopkinton about the Support of Said Elisha Bruce and Family and Dismiss the agents chosen By Said Southbo in the affair and to pass any other legal vote about & Concerning the affair that Shall be thought proper when met Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and your doings therewith Unto the Selectmen at or before the time appointed for Said Meeting Dated at Southbo Aug: 16th a. d. 1773

Signed by order of the Selectmen Jona Ward
Town Clerk

Southborough August ye 23d 1773 I have Warned the Qualified voters within my district to meet at Time and place within mentioned

pr Mark Collins, Constable for Southborough.

August 23d 1773 By Virtue of this Warrant I have warned all the freeholders and Inhabitants of Southborough that is within my District to meet at time & place within mentioned in the Said warrant Joseph Newton one of the Constables for Southborough

Worcester Ss Southbo August 23d 1773 The Town of Southbo aforesd being legally met the warrants with the Return thereon read the meeting opened then Proceeded to act vizt.

On Article Ith Chose Isaac Johnson Moderator for sd Meeting

On the 2d Article Agreed voted and granted the Sum of Sixty Six) pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence lawful money to be) assessed on the Inhabitants and Rateable Estate in) Salary s d
Southbo to pay to the Revd Mr Nathan Stone of Said) L 66:13:4
Southbo his present years Salary ending the eighth)
June next)

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Aug Meeting 1773 On the 3d Article ' Voted to get and give to the widow Deliverance Salter of Said Southbo four cord of good firewood for her use & support as firewood the year Ensuing

Voted and agreed with Joseph Newton of Said Town to get four Cord of good firewood & to be Cutt four feet in length Corded up Close and tight at the Door of the now Dwelling House of said widow Salter at four shillings a cord and on his producing a Certificate from Mr Robert Fay that he has got & corded up the Said four Cord at the place aforesd he the Said Joseph is to have an order from the Selectmen of Said Southbo to the Treasurer of Southbo aforesaid for Sixteen Shillings to be paid by Said Treasurer in full Recompoence for the Said wood

On the 4th Article ' Voted to accept of the Report of the Agents chosen to Settle the line betwixt Southbo and Marlbo which Report is as follows vizt.

Settlement of Town line from Allcocks Corner to Framingham line 1773

We the Subscribers being Chose by the Towns of Marlborough & Southborough to Settle a line between Sd Towns from the South East Corner of Allcocks Farm so called to Framingham line did meet at Said Corner May the 26: 1773 and run from the corner aforesaid it being a large heap of Stones in a low piece of ground East one Degree and twenty Minutes North to Framingham line where we Erected a large heap of Stones and Mutually agreed that the Bound aforesaid Should be the dividing line between the Towns aforesaid from Said Allcocks corner

Daniel Harrington) Committee
Hezekiah Maynard) of Marlborough

John Fay) Committee
Manasseh Stow) of Southborough

On the V' Vote to act on the Fifth article passed in the negative
Article '

Lastly Voted to and do Dissolve this Meeting

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

Know all Men By these Presents that we viz. John Willson Esqr. and Thomas Mellon Gent in the capacity of Agents for the Town of Hopkinton and Thomas Mellon Gent aforesaid and Samuel Chamberlain Yeoman with Gilbert Dench Gent in the Capacity of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Hopkinton aforesaid all of the aforesaid persons belonging to the Town of Hopkinton aforesaid in the county of Middlesex and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England are Holden and Stand firmly bound and Obliged in each of Our Capacitys aforementioned unto John Temple of the Town of Southborough in the county of Worcester & Province aforesaid Gent as He is Town Treasurer of and for the

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Town of Southbo aforesaid in the Sum of three thousand pounds lawful money to the which payment well and truly to be made We the above named John Willson Thomas Mellon Samuel Chamberlain and Gilbert Dench in each of our Capacitys as Agents Selectmen and Overseers of the poor of the Town of Hopkinton aforesaid Do Bind each and every of ourselves and each and every of our Successors in the Capacitys and Offices aforesaid Joyntly & severally Unto the Said John Temple as Treasurer aforesaid and Unto his successor and Successors in Said Office of Treasurer for Said Southbo as witness our Hands and Seals the thirtieth Day of August Anno Domini One thousand Seven Hundred and seventy three and in the thirteenth year of his Present Majestys Reign

The condition of the aforewritten Obligation is Such that whereas There is a Controvercy Subsisting Betwixt the Town of Hopkinton and Southborough aforesaid about and concerning the Maintenance of Elisha Bruce and Esther Bruce his wife & their Children offspring or Posterity and the afore said Towns having candidly and Mutually agreed that the Town of Southbo aforesaid Shall & do fully release all demands on Said Hopkinton for all past Charge that Said Southbo has been at in Consequence of Said Bruce with his wife and Children or offspring having heretofore been poor and chargeable to Said Southbo and also to pay to Said Hopkinton

or the aforesd persons of Hopkinton in their capacity aforesaid that Sum of nine pounds lawfull money Over and above what Sd Southbo has heretofore advanced and Said Hopkinton Shall bear all their past cost & charge that the Said Hopkinton has already been at for the Support of Said Family and in the law about the Said poor persons and that for the future forever hereafter Shall take effectual care of Maintain and Support the aforesaid Bruce his wife and Children or their Posterity as Shall and may be necessary So as to Save from time to time forever hereafter the Town of Southbo aforesd from all cost charge and trouble whatever that may or Shall arise in and by any ways or means whatever by reason of either of the aforesaid persons being poor or necessitus, So as to Stand in need of help and Support for them or either of them or any or either of theirs forever Unless they or either of them By law gain an Inhabitancy in Said Southbo hereafter and now on Condition and provided that the Said Town of Hopkinton or the aforenamed persons of Said Hopkinton or their Successors or any of them Shall in and by all things Well & Truly do and perform as Shall & may be necessary and that in & by all things according to the True intent and meaning of what is aforewritten and Expressed So as forever to Save the Inhabitants of Said Southbo from all future Charge cost and Trouble arising by Said Bruces etc as aforesaid then the aforewritten Obligation to be void and of None Effect else to Stand & Remain in full force and Virtue

Signed Sealed Delivered
In Presence
Peter Barns
H: y Price
Phineas How

Agents (John Willson Seal
(Thomas Mellon Seal

Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor (Samuel Chamberlain Seal
(Thomas Mellon Seal
(Gilbert Dench Seal

Recorded in the next Book

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Pursuant to an order Sent from Coll Nahum Ward Esqr of Shrewsbury for an Examination into the Towns Stock of ammonition: we the Subscribers have done accordingly: & do find we are well provided as the Law Directs:-Dated at Southboro May ye 12: 1744------

William Ward) Selectmen
John Amsden) For
Saml1 Lyscom) Southboro
Timothy Brigham)

May 26: 1773 Wm Onthank took the wd Boddingham to keep and is to Keep her Till March if he can and not ask more 3/8 pr week unless She be sick etc and keep her as much Cheeper as he can

March 24: 1774 Wm Winchester took the Wido Boddinham to Board for one year at three pistareens pr Week for 5 months and 4/ pr Week for 7 months

To all people to whom these presents Shall come greeting Know yee that we viz Samuel Newton & Nathanael Newton both of the Town of Southborough in the county of Worcester in his Majestys province of the Massachusetts bay in New England for and in

consideration of diars good Causes us then unto moving but more especially the aquitance and discharge given by the town to us and our predesessors, refering to the maintaining a bridge crossing Stoney brook near Daniel Newtons, in Southborough Have given granted released and forever quit clause and Do by these presents give grant bargain release and forever quite claim unto the aforsd Town of Southborough all our right title and interest or pretentions of right to and in the land the Bridge stands upon that is northerly of Daniel Newton Jun. in Sd Southborough and the way that now lyeth open as a highway Leading from the said Bridge on the west of Sd Daniel Newtons dwelling house from thence Leading Southerly by Samuel Newtons and by Samuel Lambs and from Sd Lambs Southerly in the way that leadeth from Capt Taylors toward Framingham all which described land and way be the same more or less to be unto the aforesd Town of Southborough to Have and to Hold the Same in an open way and road for the use of the Sd Town of Southborough forever free and clear from us our heirs Executors administrators and Do by these present promise and oblige ourselves our heirs Executor and administrators to warrent rever and Defend it to the Town against the Lawfull claim or demand of anny person or persons by from or under us in witnes to all above written we do hereunto Sett our hands and Seals this fourteenth day of June in tenth year of his Majestys reign George the Second of Great Britain etc King anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and thirty six Signed Sealed and Delivered in presents of

John Amsden
Daniel Taylor

Samuel Newton Seal

Nathaniel Newton Seal

Worcester S.S. June the 14th day 1736 Samuel Newton and Nathanel Newton the grantors in ye deed above written acknowlidged their signing and executeing of it before me.

William Ward Justice of peace

Southborough June the 14 day 1736

The Selectmen of Southborough Being met Together at the House of Mr Daniel Newtons Senr and Reading and Considering the vote of the Town, Baring date april the: 28: 1735: Conserning the Bridge,- Crossing Stoney Brook Near Sd Daniel Newton: and upon vewing the Sd Bridge as it is Now Built:-Do agree and Determine that in our judgement the Sd Bridge is well done, and according to the agreement made by the Town and Daniel Newton Junr in the Behalf of himself and his Son Ezekiel Newton; and two of his Brethern (viz) Samuel Newton and Nathaniel Newton: and according to the afore mentioned order of the Town do accept and Receive the Sd Bridge for the use of the Town.....
And also Do according to the order of the Town Do Hereby acquit and discharge the aforesd Daniel Newton Junr Samuel Newton, Nathaniel Newton and Ezekiel Newton from their Several Rates & assessments

for the mending Highways in Sd Town of Southborough: For the year: 1735: and for the year: 1736 Begining each year the: 28th day of April; and Likewise do hereby acquit the aforesd Daniel Newton Samuel Newton Nathaniel Newton and Ezekiel Newton and their Predisessors From all Former Agreements Refering to the Sd Bridge or any Bridge in or Near Sd Place of this Bridge Now New Built-

William Ward Esqr) Selectmen
John Bellows) For
William Johnson) Southborough
Daniel Taylor)
John Amsden)

A Record of the Pettit-jurors Drawn out of the Box: and Sent to Worcester courts: (is as foloweth)--in the year: 1737

Jurors: Mr David Woods Drawn for August Court: and Sent accordingly Mr James Newton & Mr John Bellows Junr: Drawn and Sent to the Superior Court: Court of Assize and General Goal Delivery: Held at Worcester on September in the year: 1737:--and Sent accordingly John Amsden Drawn & Sent to the Inferior Court at Worcester Holden on February ye first Wednesday in the year:-1737----
Samuel Taylor Sent Juror man for august Court at Worcester year: 1738---
Mr Caleb Witherbe and Israel Joslen Drawn and Sent to the Superior Court: Court of Assize and General Goal Delivery: Held at Worcester on September: in the year 1738----John Newton Drawn and Sent to the Inferior Court at Worcester on february the: 7th and in the year---1738----
Here ends the Box Jury: a-----
Southborough August: 30th 1740:-----
By virtue of a Warrant Committed to Constable Isaac Newton for the Choise of Jury men: Proceed: and Choose Mr. Timothy Brigham to Serve on the Grand Jury at the Superior Court at Worcester:-and for Petty Jury-men for Sd Court James Newton & Robert Horne:-----

Southboro October ye 13th 1740

The Town Being met Pursuant to warrant given by Isaac Newton Junr Constable for Sd Southboro in order to Choose a man to Serve upon the jury of Tryalls at Court of General Sessions of the Peace & Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be Holden at Worcester on the first Tuesday of November Next: in and for the county of Worcester In the first Place; Choose Isaac Newton Junr Moderator:-------
2ly By vote choose Natll Joslen to Serve on the Jury of Tryalls as above Sd---
Attest Isaac Newton Moderator

A Record of Pettit Jurors Drawn out of the Box in the year 1742--
Superior: Drawn out of the Box as the Law Directs: Mr Nathan Brigham to attend the Superior Court holden at Mr Joseph Richards Worcester in September 1742:--

Southborough Oct 1: 1770
Taken up by Joseph Newton of the Town of Southborough aforesaid in the County of Worcester on the 28th Day of Sepr last viz. Two Stears two years old one of which is mostly of a Brownish colour

having some white about him and a mark called a Swallows Tail cutt in Each Ear the other Stear is mostly white having some red about Him and a Mark Called a Swallows Tail Cutt in Each Ear which Stears have been proceeded with as the Law Directs pr Joseph Newton into the Town Clerks office on the Day above Said

Recorded attest Jona Ward
Town Clerk

To Jonathan Ward Town Clerk for Southborough
These are to Certify that I the Subscriber of Said Southbo have taken up impounded, and this Day Strayed as the law Directs one mare of a Dun colour Supposed to be about ten years of age having no Natural or Artificial Mark and being about 13½ hand high July 15: 1771 Jona Champney

Entered July 16: 1771 & Recorded attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

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Know all men by these Presents that We Viz. John Wilson Esqr. and Thomas Mellen Gent. in the capacity of Agents for the Town of Hopkinton and Thomas Mellen Gent. aforesaid and Samuel Chamberlain yeoman with Gilbert Dench Gent in the capacity of Selectmen and Overseers of the poor of the Town of Hopkinton aforesaid all of the aforesaid persons belonging to the Town of Hopkinton aforesaid in the County of Middlesex and Province of the Massachusetts Bay, in New England are Holden and Stand firmly Bound & obliged in each of our Capacitys aforementioned Unto John Temple of the Town of Southborough in the County of Worcester & Province aforesaid Gent. as he is Town Treasurer of and for the Town of Southborough aforesaid in the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds lawfull money To the which payment well and truly to be made We the above Named John Wilson Thomas Mellen, Samuel Chamberlain and Gilbert Dench in Each of our Capacitys as Agents Selectmen and Overseers of the poor of the town of Hopkinton aforesaid Do bind each & every of Our Selves and each and every of our Successors in the Said Capacitys and offices aforesaid Joyntly and Severally Unto the Said John Temple as Treasurer aforesaid and Unto his Successors & Successors in Said office of Treasurer for Said Southbo' As Witness our Hands and Seals the Thirtieth Day of August Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Three and in the Thirtieth year of His present Majistys Reign.

The Condition of the aforewritten Obligations is such That Whereas there is a controversy Subsisting Betwixt the Town of Hopkinton and Southborough aforesaid about and concerning the Maintenance of Elisha Bruce and Esther Bruce his wife and their children, Offspring or Posterity. And the aforesaid Towns Candidly and Mutually agreed that the Town of Southborough aforesaid Shall & do fully release all Demands on Said Hopkinton for all past charges that Said Southborough has been at in consequences of Said Bruce and his Wife and children or offspring having heretofore been poor and chargeable to Said Southborough and also to pay to Said Hopkinton or the aforesaid Persons of Hopkinton in their Capacity aforesaid the Sum of Nine pounds lawfull Money Over and above what Said Southborough have heretofore Advanced And Said Hopkinton Shall bear all their past Cost and charge that the Said Hopkinton has already been at for the Support of Said Family and in the law about the Said poor persons and that for the future forever hereafter Shall take effectual care of and Maintain and Support the afore said Bruce, his wife and Children or their posterity as shall and may be necessary So as to save from time to time forever hereafter the Town of Southbo aforesaid from all cost, Charge and trouble whatever that may or shall arise in & by any ways or means whatever by reason of either of the aforesaid persons being poor or necessitus so as to Stand in need of help and Support for them or either of them or any--

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or either of theirs forever unless they or either of them by law gain an Inhabitancy in Said Southbo' hereafter. And now on condition and provided that the Said Town of Hopkinton or the

aforenamed persons of Said Hopkinton or their Successors or any of them shall in and may be necessary and that in and by all things according to the true intent and meaning of what is aforewritten and expressed so as forever to Save the Inhabitants of Said Southborough from all Future Charge, Cost and trouble arising by Said Bruces & as aforesaid, Then the aforewritten Obligation to be void and of none Effect else to Stand and and remain in full force and Virtue.

Signed Sealed and Delivered (John Wilson Seal
In Presents of Agents (
Peter Barns (Thomas Mellen Seal
H. Y. Price
Phineas How

Selectmen and Overseers of the poor) Samuel Chamberlain Seal
Thomas Mellen Seal
Gilbert Dench Seal

The aforegoing is Recorded by Jona Ward, Town Clerk

Rev. Mr. Stones Rect. for Sallary

Southborough Feb. 18 1774.
Then Received of Mr. John Temple Treasr. the sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull money in full of my Sallary for the year 1772
I Say Received by me
Nathan Stone

Entered & Recorded

By Jona. Ward, Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Southborough in the County of Worcester Feby the 28th Day a.d. 1774 having examined the acct of Mr. John Temple as he is Treasurer for the Town aforesaid for the Present year or his Treasurership ending March next, find that he has been Chargeable with the sum of One hundred thirty five poinds four shillings 2/2 and that he has produced proper Vouchers 135-4-2-2
Shewing that He has paid one 129-11-3-2
hundred twenty Nine pounds eleven shillings and 3/2
And there now remains Five Pounds twelve Shillings & eleven pence for which the Said Temple as Treasurer aforesaid is Accountable Exclusive of what is Assessed for the Year Anno Domini 1773

Recorded by Jona Ward Town Clerk

Tim o Brigham
Issac Johnson
William Collins
Jonathon Ward
Josiah Fay

Selectmen of Said Southbo

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Mark, Collins & Joseph Newton Constables of the Town of Southborough in the County of Worcester aforesaid or either of them--Greeting
In His Majistys Name you are hereby Required to warn all the

Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town who are Qualified to vote in Town Meetings to Assemble and Meet at the publick Meeting House in Said Town on Munday the Seventh day of March next at twelve of the clock at Noon on Said Day to act on the following Articles Viz T

1. To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting

2. To Chuse Town officers for the year Ensuing as the Law Directs.

3. To Chuse men to Inspect the Killing of Deer Contrary to Law.

4. To chuse grave Diggers a Poundkeeper & a person to Lock and unlock the Meeting House & to sweep the Same

5. To Agree upon and grant a sum of Money to repair Highways in Said town the year ensuing

6. To chuse a committee to Hire a schoolmaster the year ensuing

7. To Agree upon and Grant a sum of Money to pay a Schoolmaster and other Town Debts the year ensuing

8. To Consider of & allow any Town Debts that shall be brought in by those to whom the Town is Justly Indebted

9. To see if the Town will determine by vote to let their swine run at large the year ensuing

10. To See if the Town will determine by vote to move the School into the Several parts of the Town the year ensuing and How it Shall be moved.

11. To Chuse a Committee to Squadron out the school if they See cause.

12. To hear the request of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston and act thereon as Said Southbo Shall think proper and pass any legal vote or votes concerning the Rights and Privileges of this and the other English colonys in America & the Infringements on the Same that Shall be thought by Said Southbo proper when met.

13. To See if Said Southborough will abate & sink the Rate set on the Pole of Joshua Newton A.D. 1772.

14. To see if Said Southborough will repair the Work House in Sd. Southborough

15. To See if the sd. Town of Southbo will Sink and abate the Rate Set and assessed to James Lewis late of Sd. Southborough Viz. assessed June the 3rd. 1771 3/2¼

16. For Said Southbo to give leave for some of the Inhabitants to improve the Work House as a noon House on Sabbath Days.

16. Cont . let the Same to Thomas Stone to work in on Week Days and pass any other legal vote or votes about the same shall be proper.

17. For Said Southbo to Discontinue and make Sale of the whole of the cross Road or way land once used as a Cross way from John Angiers North westerly over Stoney Brook till it centers into the Road, that leads from Samuel Phillips to Jotham Bellows Viz. To John Angier his Heirs and Assigns or any other persons or pass any other legal vote about & concerning the same that maybe proper.

18. To see if Said Southbo will Discontinue and Make Sale of any part of the way leading from John Angiers to Robert Fay & How much of it or otherways open the Same the full width where its incroached on

19. For said Southbo. to open all Other Town ways where they are incroached upon or Sell a part of the same and pass any legal vote concerning the Same

20. To call the agents of Southbo in the Controversy with New Rutland about Eunice Amsden's Maintainance to an acct. to know whats the Reason Southbo has not had the money they expended for her Support and cost of court Reimbursted and other Agents to Render an Acct. of their Agency that have not done it.

21. To hear the Return of and accept of a Road as laid out by the Selectmen of Said Southboro from Nathaniel Gibbs to the Westerly part or side of the land belonging to the Heirs of Benja Morse late Deced in Sd. Southbo.

22. To see if the Town of Southbo aforsd Will Sell or lease to Joseph Ball the way leading by his now Dwelling House viz. from the Widow Salters to the Road leading from Wm. Onthanks, Northerly to the County Road.

23. To see if Said Southbo will pay the cost of taking the Inquisition on the Body of Nathaniel Beals late of Said Southbo Dec'd.

24. For the Town to Discontinue and Sell to Capt. Aaron Fay his Hiers and Assigns as Much of the Road leading from Deacon David Woods towards Marlborough and the Road leading from Southboro Meeting house to Said Marlborough where said Roads are adjoining to and bounding on Said Fays land and they shall think proper.

25. To See if Southbo will discontinue and Make Sale to Jona Newton his Heirs & assigns the Road or way that leads from Stoney Brook South of Said Newtons Northerly by his House & So extending till it enters into the Road or way that leads from Angle Brook Bridge to Southbo' Meeting house said Newton paying a proper consideration therefor.

Here of fail not and make due return thereof unto the Selectmen att or before the time Set for Said Meeting Dated at Southbo aforesaid the 16th Day of Feby. A.D. 1774

By order of the Selectmen Jona Ward Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. Southbo March 7th 1774 In obedience to the aforesaid Warrant I have executed the Same by Postin- up a notification according to the vote of Said Southbo'

Joseph Newton

Constable of Said Town

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Worcester Ss. Southboro March the 7th 1774 The Town of Said Southbo being legally met the Warrant with the Return thereof Read the Meeting Opened, proceeded to Act. Viz.

On Article 1) Isaac Johnson Moderator of Said Meeting
Chose)

On Article 2) For) John Newton & not Sworn
Chose) Wardens) Asahel Moore--Joshua Smith
chose the 11th day

Selectmen) 1 Timothy Brigham Esqr.)who refused to Serve and
chose) 2 Isaac Johnson)the Town aforesaid by vote returned
) 3 Manasseh Stone)him Thanks for his past Services
) 4 Capt. Aaron Fay
) 5 Elijah Bellows
) 6 Solomon Newton

Town Clerk Doctr. James Parker

Constables (William Brigham) both declined were excused
(Jonas Ball) by vote.

Constables (Phineas Bruce) On Article 3d. (1 Jonas Ball
(Edward Newton) Deer reeves (2 Joshua Smith
) chose

Town) Deacon John Fay)
Treasurer)

Solomen Newton) Surveyors of (Ezekiel Collins Jr.
Assessors) Ephraim Ward) Highways and (Jona Ward
Asahel Moore) Collectors of (Amos Newton Jr.
the money (Ebenr Richards
Granted to Re-
pair Highways

Tything) William Onthank Sealer of Leather John Angier
Men) Jonas Ball
) Peter Brewer Fence Viewers)Nathaniel Fay
)Moses Bruce

Hog Reeves)John Stearns

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Field) William Collins (Mark Collins Jr.
Drivers) Ezra Taylor Junr.

Voted to and adjourned the aforesaid Meeting Until tomorrow being the Eighth Day of this Instant at one of the Clock in the Afternoon on Said day and then to Meet at the Meeting House in Said Southbo

Attest Issac Johnson Moderator.

The foregoing is truly Recorded by Jona. Ward, Town Clerk.

Southbo March the 8th day 1774 the Town afore said being Met according to the aforesaid Adjournment the Meeting aforesaid being Opened proceeded to Act Viz:

On Article 4th Chose Grave Diggers — John Bellows
Joshua Smith who refused and than chose
William Williams

Pound Keeper chose Joshua Smith
Joshua Smith is Chose to lock & unlock & sweep the Meeting House.

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On Article 5 — Granted to Repair Highways the year Ensuing in Sd. Southbo. the Sum of Eighty Pound (L 80.00

On Article 6th — Chose School Committee) Isaac Johnson, Manasseh Stow, Nathan Bridges) To hire a School Master

On 7 Article — Voted and granted to pay a School Master & Other Town Debts the Year Ensuing the Sum of Seventy Pounds — L70-00

On the 8th Article — Granted to Jotham Bellows for digging a Grave for Beriah Newton — Lo-6-0d

2d. Granted to Nathan Bridges for a coffin for Said Newton — 0-6-0d

3d. Granted to John Temple for Serving Treasurer last year. — 0-12-0

4th Granted to Joshua Smith for taking care of the Meeting House — 0-15-0

5 Granted to Wm. Onthank for taking care of the Widow Bodingham from May 26, 1773 to March 9 1774 and providing Some Cloathing for her — 8-14-6

6	Granted to Jona Ward for money & Article advanced and for his Agency in the cause of Hopkinton & About the County Road being presented as assesor	8-12-3
7th	Granted to William Collins for his Agency & Money advanced in the cause of John Angier & the Town of Southbo.	1-16-8
8	Granted to Joshua Newton for taking Care of Beriah Newton	2-17-9
9th	Granted to Doct. James Parker for Doctering Beriah Newton	1-07-11
10th	Granted Capt. Nathan Brigham for his Agency and Money advanced in the Cause against John Angier	2- 2- 5
11th	Granted to Josiah Fay for Assisting in making and Coppying Rates and Money advanced for Said Town	1-11- 0
12th	Granted to Doctr. Samuel Curtis for Doctering Beriah Newton	17-10
13	Granted to Joseph Newton for carrying one Mr. Bright To Framingham	0- 1- 6
14	Granted to Issac Johnson For his Agency against Hopkinton	-14- 8¾
	Total of the debts allowed as above	L30-15 -6¾

On the 9th Article — Voted to let the Swine run at large the year Ensuing

On the 10th Article — Voted to move the School into the Several Parts of the town viz.

To begin in the Center)
2d in the East End)
3 at the South Side) of the Town of Southbo'
4 at the West End.)

On the 11th Article — The vote to Chuse a Committee to Squadron out the school past in the Negative

12th Article passed over at present

On the 13th Article Voted to abate the Rate Set on the Pole of Joshua Newton in a list committed to W. M. Onthank to collect a.d. 1772 being 9/11/¼ L.0-9-11-1

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On the 14th Article 1 Voted to Repair the work House
2d Voted to chuse a Committee to Repair the Same.
3d Chose 1th Capt. Nathan Brigham (for commit-
2 Joshua Smith (tee aforsaid

On the 15th Article Voted to abate the Rate Set on the head and Estate of James Lewis (late of Southbo. June the 3rd. 1773 being 3/2/¼ as committed to Solomon Newton to collect.

On the 16th Article The vote to let the work House as a noon House passed in the Negative
2 Voted to let the work House to Thomas Stone during the Towns pleasure At the Rate of One pound four shillings the year to commence this day.

voted to and adjourned this Meeting untill next Fryday at one of the clock in the afternoon of Said Day and then to Meet at the Meeting House in Said Southbo.

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator

Entered and Recorded attest Jona Ward Town clerk Southbo Fryday March the Eleventh Day 1774. The Town of Southborough aforesd, being Met according to the Adjournment the Meeting aforesaid Opened proceeded to Act Viz.

On the 17th Article Several Votes being passed in the negative on this article at last voted not to act any further at this time on the Same

On the 12th Article Voted not to act on this Article

On the 17th Article Voted to reconsider the vote on this article which was not to acy any further at this time on the Same and do now Vote and Grant unto John Angier his Heirs and, Assigns forever all that part of the old Road, way or land, called by some the Town of Southbo common lying on the Easterly side of Stoney Brook (So called) Excepting and reserving

two rods in width in the most convenient place for traveling from Said Angiers to & over Said Brook and also reserving liberty for persons to travel to their lands as necessary a cross the land now sold to Said Angier between his Houses and Said Brook where the old Road used to be trod that passed from Said Angiers to the Road leading from Samuel Phillips, to Jotham Bellows The said Angier paying said Town of Southbo' Three pounds six shillings and eight pence lawful money and Said Town of Southbo doth also for said consideration give and grant leaveto Said Angier paying Said Town to shut up the two rod Roads Reserved as aforesaid as a Bridleway provided he will make and Maintain a good Gate at the end of the same next to his House forever which money the said Angier paid to the Moderator of said Meeting and is discharged. And Samuel Phillips aforesaid for Himself his Heirs and Assigns doth by these Presents hereby

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Remise, Release and give up to Said Town for the use and Benefit of a Road and accomodation of travelling through and a cross the said cross Road aforesaid next to Said Brook on the Westerly Side of the Same and at the Easterly end of the land He said Phillips Bought of Said Southborough vizt. So much of the land that he purchased of Said Southborough as shall well accomodate and answer for travelling and passing and repassing through the Ford way and also to on and off the westerly end of the causeway as it is now built. viz.--to pass and repass conveniently as direct and as streight as maybe most suitable and bent for travelling So as to enter and use the whole of said causway as now built and that forever without lot or hindrance forever as Witness His Hand and Seal March the eleventh day 1774 Test Jona Ward.

Samuel Phillips Seal

On the 18th Article — Voted that the Selectmen of Said Southbo view the Road from John Angiers to Robert Fays and Make Report to Said Southbo, the next Town Meetings.

On the 19 Article — Voted that the Selectmen of Said Southbo (if requested by any person or persons) do view any Road or Roads in Said Southborough, in order to pick persons who request to being any part or the whole of the Same that adjourns to him or them who requests to buy having the Same and that the said Selectmen make report

thereof to the Said Southbo' at their next Town Meeting.

On Article the 20th

Voted that Manasseh Stow and Jonas Ball as Agents for Said Southbo against New Rutland District concerning the Maintinance of Eunice Amsden Make further process in the affair so as to recover the Cost Said Southbo' has been at for her past Support & Cost of Shall with them if it be recoverable.

On the 21 Article

Voted to and do accept of the return of the Road . Dated May 27, 1773 as laid out by the Selectmen of Said Southbo from Nathaniel Gibbs to Joshua Randalls & So extending Westerly thro the land belonging to the Heirs of Benjamin Morse late Decd. which return is as follows.

Viz. Southborough May 27th 1773. The selectmen of Said Southbo' have at their desire of a number of Persons laid out a Road which is as follows.

Viz. Beginning at a heap of Stones on the Southerly side of the Road leading by the now dwelling House of Nathaniel Gibbs which heap of stones is the North Easterly corner of his land lying on the southerly Side of Said Road and from there the Road as laid out now Southerly two rods in width on the land of Said Gibbs for Some way and then enters on the land belonging to the Heirs of Benjamin Morse, and then on the land Supposed to belong to Ezra Taylow Esqr. Extending a streight line from Said Stones which is on the Easterly Side of Said Road as laid out till it comes to a Black Oak Tree marked on three Sides at the foot of Rising ground a little Easterly of

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of the old Trod road then it runs Southerly to a Black Oak Tree marked on three Sides then about fourteen rods to a Stake and Stones where an old Stump was in the line of Said Taylors land being on the Easterly side of Said Road and then runs to a black oak tree being the Northwesterly corner of the land of Jabez Fairbanks then Runing on the Southwesterly side of Said Fairbanks land about six rods, to a black oak tree. Then runing as the Path is now trod about Ten rods to a black oak tree Marked on the S.Ely side of said road as now laid out, then about 8 or 9 rods South westrly to a white Oak tree marked on the same side of said road then Southwesterly to and crossing a Brook called Pine Hill Meadow Brook and extending a Straight line from the last Mentioned oak till it comes to a heap of stones on a Ridge by and on the Northerly

side of an old Fence near the old Trod path easterly of the House of David Bruce Junr. then runs to a Stump and Rock by a wall by the side of the old Trod Road, then runing Southerly near as the fence now runs to a wild Cherry Tree being a bound of and on the easterly side of the Road as now laid out, full two rods in Width then runing Southerly leaving the Road on Easterly side of an old Orchard belonging to David Bruce Junr, or on the land reserved for his Maintenance two rods wide and so extending the Same width till it comes to the House where Joshua Kendall lives and from there Runs westerly near as the path is now Trod having the Fence on the Southerly Side of the same for the bounds of Said Road, which is continued the Same width till it gets to the Westerly side of the land belonging to the Heirs of Benjamin Morse and meets the Road formerly laid out to said land which Road as we apprehend is laid through lands that had a Reserve made in and thro the Same for a Road and is now offered & Submitted to the Town for their acceptance.

Entered and Recorded the aforegoing as laid out and accepted by said Southbo'	Isaac Johnson) Jona Ward) William Collins) Josiah Fay)	Selectmen of Said Southbo'

Attest Jona Ward Town Clerk

Jonas Ball paid to the Moderator 6/ being the last years Rent due from Joseph Ball for the use of the Road that leads by his now Dwelling House . 0-6-0

On the 22d Article' Voted that the Select men View the Cross Road that leads from the Widow Salters by Joseph Balls and Make report at the next Town Meeting whether it is best to Sell apart or the whole of the Same

Voted that the above Road that Leads by Joseph Balls be shut up from the east and of the Same till it comes or leads to or against Peter Brewers Gate which is westerly of Said Brewers House and opens into said Cross Roads.

On the 23rd Article 'Voted not to pay the cost of the Inquition taken on the Body of Nathaniel Peels late of Southbo' Deceast.

On the 24th Article' Voted that the Selectmen View the Roads that Capt. Aaron Fay in Said Article Requests to buy a part of and make Report thereof and concerning the Same the next Town Meeting.

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On the 25 Article ,Voted that the Selectmen view the Road leading by Jonathan Newtons now Dwelling House to Stoney Brook and Make Report about the Same the Next Town Meeting.

On the 2d Article By vote released Phineas Bruce from Serving Constable in his own Person and Accepted of Moses Bruce to Serve in his own place and stead & for Said Phineas his turn.

Warden Voted and chose Joshua Smith as a Warden in the Room of Jona Newton.

The Proceedings of the aforesaid Meeting thus far is Entered and Recorded as aforesaid by Jona Ward, Town Clerk

Doctr. James Parker is now Sworn to the Clerks office by Vote released Amos Newton Jr. from Serving as a Surveyor of high ways and Collector of the Money granted to repair the Same, and chose Nathaniel Fay in his Room.

Voted to accept Robert Fay in the Room place and Stead of Nathaniel Fay

Committee to Transfer the Books and Records
1 Isaac Johnson
2 Manassah Stow

Chosen a Committee to transfer the Town Books and Records from Jona Ward to James Parker

Lastly by Vote the aforesaid Town Meeting is disolved.
Attest Issac Johnson Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. Southborough March 11th 1774 The Town Officers of whom an oath is required chosen at the aforesaid Meeting were Sworn to the Discharge of their respective offices by the Selectmen as the Law directs.

Entered and recorded by
James Parker
Town Clerk

Isaac Johnson
Manasseh Stow
Aaron Fay
Elijah Bellows
Solomon Newton
Selectmen for Southborough

Southborough March 19th 1774
Delivered into the hands of Deacn John Fay Treasurer for Southborough

	L. S. D.
A note from Mark Collins	0-12-6
Cash due from Jonas Ball to the Treasurer	2-18-9½
Cash due from the Province Treasurer	2- 5-0¾
Money due from Mark Collins Constable for the year 1773	61-14-4
Money due from Joseph Newton, constable for the year 1773	54-19-0

Cash Rec'd of John angier 3-6-8 Cash rec'd of Joseph Ball. 3-12-8
Cash Rec'd of the former Treasurer by the Selectmen. 2.15-4¼
Total.....128-17 -8.2

Isaac Johnson
Manasseh Stow (Selectmen
Aaron Fay (for
Elijah Bellows (Southborough
Solomon Newton (Attest James Parker Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. March 31st 1774. Pursuant to the Law of this province we the Subscribers have appointed David Newton of Southborough to be Sealer of Weights and Measurers for the Ensuing year untill another be chosen in his place

Aaron Fay) Select-
Manasseh Stow) men for
Elijah Bellows) Southborough
Solomon Newton) Constables
Moses Bruce) for
) Southboro

The above Named David Newton was Sworn to the faithful Discharged of his office by the Town clerk of sd. Southborough March 3. 1774

Attest James Parker Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Southborough on the eighteenth Day of March A.D. 1774 in order to Settle accounts with John Temple late Treasurer for Sd. Town and to Receive all the money and papers in his Hands belonging to the Town And having Examined into the affair we find there is five pounds twelve Shillings and Eleven pence and have Rec'd the Same together with the papers and one of the Towns Law Books and do hereby fully acquit and Discharge sd. Temple from any Further Demands on that account, As Witness our Hands.

Isaac Johnson (Selectmen
Manasseh Stow (
Aaron Fay (for
Elijah Bellows (
Solomon Newton (Southborough

Rec'd and entered April 12 1774
A True Coppy attest James Parker Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. To Messr. Edward Newton & Moses Bruce Constables For Southborough in Sd. County.

Greetings

L.s. You are hereby required in his Majisties Name forth with to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough Qualified According to the Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative to assemble and meet at the publick Meeting House on Monday the Sixteenth Day of May Currt. at one o'clock in the after Noon to act on the following Articles Viz.

1. For the Town to Elect & dispute one meet person legally qualified to Represent them in a great and general court. or assembly appointed to be held & kept for his majisties Service at the Court House in Boston on Wednesdays the twenty fifth Day of may currt. at nine o'clock in the afore noon

2. To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining Business of ye afore sd. Meeting.

3. To See whether the Town will Discontinue that part of the Town Road Leading from Nathaniel Gibbs to the westerly Side of the Land belonging to the Heirs of Benj. Morse Deceased. So far as it extends thro the Land of Ezra Taylor Esqr. or agree with the aforesaid Ezra Taylor Esqr. and make him Satisfaction for the Damages done him by by laying out St. Road thro his land.

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4. To See if the Town will abate the whole or any part of the Rates of John Harvey as Set in a list of Assessment Committed to Mark Collins as Constable a.d. 1772

5. For the Town to hear and accept a List of Jurors to be laid before them by the Select Men & Separate one Quarter part thereof for the Superior Court Box.

6. To See if the Town will abate the Rate set on the pole of Ezra Taylor Esqr. in a List of Assessment Committed to Joseph Newton A.D. 1773 or any part of his Rates set on his personal Estate in the aforesaid List of Assessments.

7. For the Town to hear the Report of the Select Men Concerning the Road leading out of the Road from the County Road to Wm. Onthanks, as it passeth by the dwelling House of Joseph Ball to the End of Sd. Road, as it stands upon the Record, of the Properiety of Marlborough and to See if the Town will Discontinue & Make Sale of the Same to Joseph Ball or pass any other Vote concerning the same as they Shall see Cause. As also to hear the Report of the Select men concerning the Road leading from Stonny Brook by the House of Jona Newton to angle Bridge, and to See if the Town will Discontinue & make Sale of the Same to Jona. Newton on such conditions as the Town and afore Sd. Jona. Newton Shall agree upon. And also to hear the Report of the Selectmen concerning the Road leading from John Angiers to Robert Fays, and to act thereon as they shall see fit. Also to hear the Report of the Selectmen concerning the Roads which Capt. Aaron Fay Requested to buy last march, and to See if the Town will discontinue and Make Sale of any part or the whole of the Same to the aforesaid Capt Fay & Capt Nathan Brigham upon Such Terms as the Town and they shall agree upon.

8. For the Town to enquire whether Nathan Bridges has Rec'd full Recompence for building the wall between the burying place & Col. Timo Brighams Land or whether he the Sd. Nathan Bridges is indebted to the town for the Rent of the same and for the Town to Let the same to Some person as they shall see fit.

9. To See if ye Town will allow and pay the accts. of Capt. Nathan Brigham and Joshua Smith for Repairing the work House

and to See if the town will Do anything further towards Repairing the Same.

Here of fail not and Due Return make of this Warrant and your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for sd. meeting.

Dated at Southborough the 9th Day of May 1774 pr. order of the Selectmen James Parker Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. Southborough May 16, 1774 In obedience to the above Warrant I have warned all the Qualified persons in my District to meet at Time and place as therein Directed; Edwd. Newton Moses Bruce--Constables for Southborough

Southborough May 16 1774, The Town being met agreeable to the above Warrant which being Read together with the procept & the Return, the Town proceeded to Act as Follows Viz.

On Article 1st. — This Article passed in the negative.

On the 2. Article — Chose Manasseh Stow moderator for the Remaining Business of Said meeting

On Article 3d. — Voted to choose a Committee to Search into the Records of the Propriety whether there is a Reserve for a Road through the land of Ezra Taylor Esqr. and

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and for sd. committee chose 1st. capt. Aaron Fay 2ly Isaac Johnson 3ly Manasseh Stow

2ly Voted that if the above committee upon making Search in the Records of the propriety find there is no Reserve for a Road thro the land of Ezra Taylor Esqr., Do agree with the aforesaid Ezra Taylor Esqr. and make him satisfaction for the Damages done him, by Laying out Said Road thro his Land and make Report to the Town the next Town Meeting

On the 4th Article — Voted to abate the Rates of John Harvey as Set in a List of Assessments committed to Mark Collins A.D. 1772 being 1-5-0-3

The 5 Article passed in the negative.

On the 6th, Article — Voted to abate the Rate Set on the Pole of Ezra Taylor Esqr. as set in a List of assessments committed to Joseph Newton A.D. 1773 being 8/2

2ly. Voted not to abate any part of the Rate Set on the personal Estate of Ezra Taylor Esqr. Set in the aforesaid List of assessment committed to Joseph Newton.

On the 7th Article — 1st Voted to Kiscontinue 69 Rods in Length of that Road Leading out of the Road from the county Road to Wm. Onthanks as it passeth by the House of Joseph Ball.

Road Sold to Joseph Ball Sd. Ball gave a note to the Treasurer for the Same.

Voted to sell to Joseph Ball his Heirs and Assigns forever all that part of the aforesd. Road So far as Discontinued in the above Vote he paying the Town 3-6-8 agreeable to the Report the Selectmen presented at this meeting which Report is as follows viz. We the subscribers having viewd that Town way Leading by Joseph Balls that was Laid out by the Selectmen of Marlborough in the year 1724, and as it stands Recorded there we Judge there is about 125 Rods of Land it being 69 Rods in Length and 44 Rods of the Same 2 Rods wide and 25 Rods one Rod and a Half wide and we do judge Sd way might be sold & not be any Damage to the public or private Interest of any Body, and we Do apprize the same to be worth three pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence, Lawful money, Isaac Johnson Aaron Fay Manasseh Stow Selectmen of Southborough.

Report of Selectmen about the same.

Road Sold to Jona Newton

3ly Voted Discontinue and Sell to Jona Newton his Heirs and Assigns forever all the Road leading from Stonny Brook by the House of Jona Newton to Angle Bridge excepting and Reserving Liberty for the Heirs of Robert Horn to pass and repass to and from their Meadow adjoining to sd. Brook he the Sd Jona Newton paying the town L.5-6-8.

Road opened from Angiers to Fays excepting

4ly Voted to open the Road leading from John Angiers to Robert Fays its full width from the Clay Land to the Land of Robert Fay except John Angier, John Newton, & Amos Newton shall appear to purchase the whole of the same excepting Two Rods in Width.

5ly Voted to pass over the last Clause in this 7th Article

On the 8th Article

Upon Enquiry made, it appeared that Nathan Bridges had Recd full recompence for building the wall between the Burying place and Col. Timo Brighams Land & that he was indebted to the Town for the Rent of the Same L2-6-6 Then voted to Let the same to John Bellows for one year at the Rate of 7/pr year

On the 9th Article

Voted to pass it over This by Vote the meeting was Dissolved
Attest Manasseh Stow.

Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

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Nathan Bridges Receipt

Southborough June 14 1774 Rec'd of Nathan Bridges Two pounds Six Shillings and Six pence it being the whole for the Rents of the Burying place I say Rec'd by me.

John Fay Treasurer for Southborough

A True coppy attest

James Parker Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. To Messrs Edward Newton and Moses Bruce Constable for Southboro--Greeting.

Seal You are hereby Required in his Majisties Name forthwith to warn all the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough to assemble at the public Meeting House on Monday ye 27th Day of June currt. at 2o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles Viz.

1. To Chuse a Moderator for Sd. Meeting

2. For the Town to hear a Letter from the Committee of Coresponcence at Boston and also a Cont. which they request us to Sign, and for the Town to act thereon as they shall think fit. Hereof fail not and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for sd. meeting Southbo. June 13 1774

per order of the Selectmen James Parker

Town Clerk

Southboro June 27 1774 in obedience to this Warrant I have warned all the Inhabitants in my District to meet at Time and place as therein Directed.

Edward Newton Moses Bruce, Constables for Southboro

Southborough June 27 1774, The Town being out agreeable to appointment the Warrant with the Return Rec'd the town proceeded to act as follows Viz.

1. Chose Capt. Jona Ward Moderator.

On the 2d Article' Voted to chuse a Committee to prepare a Draughts to be laid before the Town for their acceptance at the Next Town Meeting.

2. Voted to Chuse 5 for the above Committee and for sd. committee chose. Isaac Johnson Capt. Jona. Ward, Lieut Wm. Collins Lieut Josiah Fay and Joshua Smith, Then voted to adjourn the Meeting to Monday ye 11 day of July Next at 3 o'clock in the after noon to Meet at the publick Meeting House in Southboro.

Attest Jona Ward, Moderator.

Southborough July 11th 1774 The Town being met according to adjournment the Meeting opened a Motion was made & Seconded whether the town would accept and Sign the Draught of the Committee, the Vote being put its passed in the affirmative.

Voted that the above agreement be lodged with Mr. Isaac Johnson Chairman of the Committee till further ordered by the Town

Voted that Mr. Isaac Johnson carry about and offer the agreement to the Inhabitants of the Town in order to their Signing it. Then voted to adjourn the Meeting to Monday the 29th of Aug. Next

of 3 o'clock in the afternoon then to meet at the Meeting house in Southborough.

Attest Jona. Ward. Moderator.

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Delivered by order of the Selectmen into the Hands of Dean John Fay Treasurer for Southboro two shillings five pence Three farthings it being the overplus of the Contribution money collected for the use of the committee of Congress

Attest James Parker Town Clerk

Boston July 1 1774 received of Jonathan Champney of the Town of Southborough the Sum of one pound Eight Shillings & five pence being Said Towns Proportion of 500 l. m. g. for the Committee of Congress for my Father per Thomas Cushing Jr.
A true coppy attest James Parker Town Clerk

Southborough Augt 29th 1774 The Town being met according to adjournment
Voted to dissolve the Meeting Attest Jona Ward, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Edward Newton and Moses Bruce Constables for Southborough.....Greeting

Seal You are hereby Required in his Majisties Name forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough quallified to Vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the publick Meeting House in Sd town on Monday the 29th Day of Augt. Next at one o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles Viz.-

1. To Chuse a Moderator for sd meeting

2. For the Town to agree upon and grant a Sum of money to pay the Rev'd Mr. Nathan Stone of Sd. Town his present years Sallary ending the Eighth Day of June Next.

3. To see if the Town will chuse a Standing Committee of Rights Safety & Correspondents to unite & Correspond with the other Corresponding Committees in this province in Constitutional Measures necessary to act upon relating to our Rights and pass any legal Vote or Votes concerning the same that may be necessary when met.

4. To See if the Town will discontinue & Sell to Capt. Aaron Fay part of the Road leading northward from the Land of David Woods till it enters into the Road from Asahel Moore to the Meeting House and also a part of the last mentioned Road from Asahel Moores to the Meeting House and to Relinquish part of the first Mentioned Road laying on the Eastwardly Side of Sd. Road To the heirs of Dean. David Woods.

5. To See if the Town will Discontinue and Sell to Capt. Nathan Brigham part of the way leading from the land proposed in the above Article to be relinquished to the Heirs of Decn David Woods into the Road leading from Asahel Moore to the Meeting House.

6. To See if the Town will discontinue and Sell to Capt. Nathan Brigham part of the way to leading from the land proposed in the above Article to be relinquished to the Heirs of Dean. David Woods into the Road Leading from Asahel Moore to the Meeting House
To see if the Town will discontinue and Sell to Dean John Fay, a small garden Spot being part of the way leading from Wm. Winchester to the County Road being on the Westerly side of the same nearby.
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opposite to his House; and also another piece of land Road on the Easterly Side near to Wm. Winchester

7. To See if the Town will come into any Method to unite the Town Relating to non-importation and non-consumption Agreement entering into in this province and to act thereon as they shall see fit when met.

Hereof fail not and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for Said Meeting Dated at Southborough Augt. 12 1774 pr. order of the Selectmen

James Parker Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. Southborough Augt 29th 1774 agreeable to his Warrant, I have warned the quallified Voters in my District to meet at Time & place as therein directed.

Edwd. Newton, Moses Bruce Constables for Southborough.

Southborough Aug 29th 1774. The Town being met the Warrant with the Return Read the Town proceeded to act as follows Viz.

On the 1th Article 'Choose Capt. Jona Ward Moderator

On the 2nd Article 'Voted the Sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen shillings & four pence for the Rev. Mr. Nathan Stones present years Sallary ending the 8th Day of June next to be levied and assessed on the poles and estates rateable in Southborough.

On the 3rd Article 'Voted to chuse a Standing Committee of Correspond. to unite and correspond with the other Committees of Correspondence in this province. Voted to choose five for sd. Committee and for Said Committee Choose Coll Timo. Brigham, Isaac Johnson, Lieut. Josiah Fay, Capt. Jona. Ward, John Angier.

Voted that the Selectmen View the Town Stock of Ammunition, as Soon as maybe with Convenience & See whether it be according to the Law of the province.

Voted that the Selectmen provide the town Stock of Ammunition according to Law provided upon viewing the Same they find not according to Law.

Voted unanimously that Edw. Newton Constable for Southborough Should not proceed to prepare a List of Jurors according to a late act of parliament & that they will defend him in Such neglect

Voted that every male from 16 years old and upward should be furnished with fire Arms & Ammunition according to Law

Voted to chuse officers from a Capt to a Corporal by written votes to Regulate the company in the military Art.
Voted to Meet at the Meeting House on Friday next at one o'clock p.m. to chuse officers as above.

Land Sold to Capt. Aaron Fay

On the 4th Article 'Voted to Discontinue and Sell to Capt Aaron Fay his 'Heirs & Assigns forever part of the clay pit Road leading from David Woods to Asahel Moores and part of another road leading from Asahel Moores to the Meeting House agreeable to the Return of the Selectmen, he paying the Town L. 5-6-8

Return of Select men about the same

The Return is as follows Viz. We the Subscribers having Viewed that part of the old Clay pit Road, leading from David Woods to Asahel Moores and the other Road leading out of that to Southbo Meeting House adjudged that part of each may be Spared without being any Damage to public or private and we have Stated & set off to Capt. Aaron Fay about two acres of Land Beginning at a heap of stones by David Woods land runing Northwardly 2 Rods wide 42 Rods in Length, to a Heap of Stones by his own Land then Runing 28 Rods to a heap of Stones leaving the Road four Rods Wide then turn west & Runs Six paces to a heap of Stones
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Then Runing Southwardly 30 Rods to a Heap of Stones against his own Land, then by his own Land 4 Rods in length and one rod wide to the land of the heirs of Deacon David Woods leaving the road two rods wide. All the Land here Described we do apprize worth five pounds six shillings & Eight Pence lawful money.
Southborough Augt. 29th, 1774

Manasseh Stow)Selectmen
Elijah Bellows) of
Solomon Newton)Southboro

Then the following was voted Viz. whereas a dispute has arisin whether a part of the Road called the old Clay pit Road this day discontinued & Sold to Capt. Aaron Fay northerly of the House belonging to the heirs of Dean David Woods late of Southbo' Dec'd doth belong to Sd. then the followeing was Voted Viz. whereas a Dispute has arisin whether a part of of the Road called the old Clay pit Road this Day discontinued & Sold to Capt. Aaron Fay Northerly of the House belonging to the heirs of Deacon David Woods late of Southboro Deceased Doth belong to Sd heirs or not and it not appearing clear the sd. town do hereby Discontinue all the remaining part of the Sd. Clay Road excepting two Rods in width between that part Sold to Said Fay & this part now discontinued to Sd. Heirs and do convey the Same to Sd Heirs from against the South End of Said Fay's Land and extending north as far as the sd heirs land extends to be to Said heirs & their heirs and assigns forever as full Recompence for all the Land (if any there be) that is taken from said Heirs.

Land Sold to Capt. N. Brigham

On the 5th Article 'Voted to Discontinue and Sell to Capt. Nathan Brigham 'his Heirs and assigns forever, part of the Road from David Woods to Asahel Moores as Set forth in the Return of the Selectmen he paying the town 13/4
N.B. Capt. Brigham gave the Treasurer a note for the Same.

The Return is as follows viz. We the Subscribers having viewed that part of the old Clay pit Road leading from David Woods to Asahel Moores do Judge that part of the

Same may be Spared without being any Damage to the Road And we have Stated and Set off to Capt. Nathan Brigham about half an acre of Land begining at a grey oak Tree eastwardly five Rods, then runs northwardly about 20 Rods to a heap of Stones then turns & Runs 3 Rods to a heap of Stones, by the wall that he Built and runs as the wall now Stands, to the first mentioned Bounds, leaving that Road three Rods Wide.
Agreed that he pay the Town Thirteen Shillings & four pence for the Same.

Isaac Johnson (Selectmen
Manasseh Stow (of
Solomon Newton(Southborough

On the 6th Article 'Southborough Augt 29, 1774.
'Voted to discontinue and Sell to Dean John Fay his Heirs and Assigns and Assigns forever two peices of the road leading from Wm. Winchester to the County Road, agreeable to the return of the Selectmen as a full consideration for his Time & Money Spent in Setting the Line from Alcocks corner to Framingham line.

Return of the Selectmen & ye same

The Return is as follows Viz. We the Subscribers having viewed the Road leading from W.M. Winchester to the County Road do Judge that part of Sd. Road may be spared without Damage to public or private and we have viewed and let off to Dean John Fay a garden spot on the Westerly side of Sd. Road it being about 9 rods long & about eleven feet wide, which is about 6 Square Rods of land also another peice of land. on the Easterly Side of Said Road near to Wm. Winchesters House it being about 10 Rods in length and about two paces Wide which is about 4 Rods of Land.

Isaac Johnson (Selectmen
Manasseh Stow (of
Solomon Newton(Southboro

Southborough Augt. 29th 1774.
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On the 7th Article 'Voted to Chuse a Committee to Make a Draught relating to the non-inportation and non Consumption agreement to be laid before the Town, at their next Meeting.

Voted To Chuse 7 for Said Committee, and for Sd. Committee chose Manasseh Stow, Isaac Johnson, James Parker, Nathan Bridges, Lieut. Wm. Collins Solomon Newton, Asahel Moore.

Voted To Excuse Nathan Bridges & Jonas Ball was Chosen in his place. Then Voted to adjourn the Meeting to fryday next at one o'clock P.M. Then to Meet at the meeting House in Southborough

Attest Jona Ward Modr.
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. Southborough Septr 2. 1774 the Town being met according to adjournment & the Meeting opened, it was then voted to adjourn the meeting to Monday Next at 8 o'clock A.M. to Meet at This place

Attest Jona. Ward Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Southbo Septr 5, 1774 the Town of Sd. Southbo' being Met according to adjournment the Meeting opened proceeded to act viz.

On the 3d Article 'The Vote being put whether the Town will have two 'Military Companies past in the Negative.

2. Voted to have but one Military Company in Sd. Town

3. Voted unanimously, that Josiah Fay be Capt of the military Company in Southboro

4. Voted to have to Leiuts in Said Company.

5. Choose Elijah Bellows 1st Leiut 6ly Choose Seth Newton 2n. Lieut.

7. Choose Asahel Mathews Ensn of Sd. Company

8. Chose Joshua Smith clerk of Said Company

9. Chose Jona. Champney, 1st Sergt. 10 ly Choose Elijah Brigham 2nd Sergt.

11. Chose Joseph Witherbee 3rd Sergt.

12ly Choose Benja. Parker 4th Sergt. of Sd. Company

Voted to Chuse the Corporals by nomination, and hand vote, notwithstanding the aforesd. Vote to the Contrary.

Choose James Williams 1st corporal, Moses Bruce 2nd Corporal, Ezekiel Collins 3d. Corporal, Ebenr. Richards 4th Corporal

Voted to Chuse a Committee to prepare a Draught containing Rules and orders to regulate both officers & Soldiers in future Military movements.

Voted that the Committee Consist of three men, 1 chose Ezra Taylor 2 Josiah Fay 3 James parker for Sd. Committee.

Voted to approve of the people of this Town going to Worcester tomorrow to enter their Dissent against the Setting of the Court of the Common plea to be holden there

Voted that Manasseh Stow lead such as Shall be Disposed to go & keep them under Due Regulation.

Voted To accept & Sign the Draught of the committee relating to the non-Consumption Agreement.

Voted that the aforesaid agreement be Recorded in the Town Book with the Names of the Signers. The Agreement is as follows Viz.

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We the Subscribers Inhabitants of Southboro having taken into our serious consideration precarious State of the Liberties of North America and move expecially the distressed condition of this province Embarrassed as it is by many acts of of the british

parliament tending the intire Subversion of our Natural & Charter Rights, among which is the act for blocking up the Harbour of Boston & being Sensible of our indespensible Duty to lay hold on every means in our power to preserve and Recover the much injured constitution of our Country, Do Covenant & Engage with each other

1st. That from henceforth we will Suspend all Commercial intercourse with the Sd. Island of Great Britain; untill the sd. Act. for blocking up the Harbour be Repeated and Restoration of our Charter Rights be obtained to our acceptance.

2. That there may be the less Temptation to others to continue in the sd. non-dangerour Comm we do in like manner covenant that we will not buy, purchase or consume or suffer any person by for or under us to purchase or consume in any manner whatever any Goods, wares, or merchandize which Shall arrive in America from Great Britain afore sd. from and after the first Day of Octr. next, excepting and Reserving full liberty to trade in all sorts of warlike stores cloathing excluded.

3. We agree to break of all trade whatever with all persons who preferring their own private interest to Salvation of their now perishing Country shall continue to import Goods from Great Britain or purchase of those who do import.

4ly And since a Cessation of Trade with Great Britain must for a while put a stop to the free circulation of Cash where by the payment of Just debts will become more Difficult we promise that we will not commence needless law Suits against honest and industrious who are endeavoring to pay their just debts and on the other hand we will not take the advantage of the Scarsity of cash to neglect paying our Just Dues, hereby maintaining law & Harmony among ourselves.

Lastly we agree that after this or a Similar covenant has been offered to any person and they refuse to Sign it, we will consider them as Gross Neglectors of Their duty in the important Article of our liberties. All which we agree to continue firm in untill our british liberties are Restored or this agreement or any part hereof be legally Vacated by a Vote of the Major part of the Signers.

Witness our Hands

Isaac Johnson
Asahel Moore
Wm. Collins
Solomon Newton
Jonas Ball
James Parker
Absolom Ward
James Bellows Senr.
Ephraim Ward
John Fay
John Bent
Aaron Fay
Robert Fay
Moses Bellows
Edw. Chamberlain

Jona Ward
Samll. Phillips
David Newton
Peter Brewer
Nathan Brigham Jr.
John Amsden
Joseph Graves
Josiah Fay
Elijah Bellows
Saml. Hudson Senr.
Lemuel Newton
Aaron Amsden
John Breton
John Newton
Samll. Newton
Jesse Amsden

Ezekiel Newton
James Bridges
Bazeleel Walker
David Newton
Asahel Mathew
Seth Newton
Mark Collins
Simon Tozer
Amos Newton
Nathan Bridges
Phinehas Bruce
James Bellows
W. M. Winchester
Alexander Newton
Edw. Collins
Daniel Johnson
Benja Parker
John Stearns
Joseph Newton
John Angier
Abner Parker
Elijah Hedge of Marlboro
Amos Newton
Joel Newton
Jotham Bellows
Wm. Onthank
Solomon Ward
Hez. Fay
Ezekiel Collins
Charles Newton
Aaron Fay Jr.
Ezra Newton
Edmund Chamberlain
Jabez Newton
Joseph Morse

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Joseph Witherbee
Ebn. Richards
Ezra Taylor jur.
Timo Angier
Jona Champney
Elijah Brigham
Joshua Smith
Moses Newton
James Williams
Josiah Bridges
Tyrus Newton
Elisha Fay
John Learnard
Jonas Amsden
Elijah Newton
Benja. Smith
Peter Brewer Jur.
Jedadiah Parker
John Johnson
Jacob Gibbs
Reuben Fay
Samll. Horne
Nathaniel Fay
John Richards
Nathll. Graves
Gidion Newton, Jur.
Ephm. Amsden
John Bellows
Reuben Newton
Nathan Fay
Edwd Newton
Solomon Leonard
Isaac Holden
Nathan Taplan
Mark Collins, Jur.
Samll. Hudson, Jur.
David Newton
Thos. Stone
Silas Newton
Asa Fay
Phineas Bemis
Elisha Johnson
James Onthank
Jonah Johnson
Wm. William
Paul Newton
Zachius Witherbee
Oliver Newton
Simeon Harry

Voted to vacate and disannul the former Agreement accepted and Signed July 21, 1774 together with the protest against the Same.

Then by vote the Meeting was adjourned to Monday next at 3 o'clock p.m. to meet at this place.

Attest Jona. Ward Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Southboro Sept. 12, 1774 The Town being again met according to adjournment and the meeting opened the Town proceeded to act viz.

Voted to accept & sign the Articles of Agreement containing Rules & orders to Regulate Officers & Soldiers in future Military movements. Then by Vote the meeting was adjourned to Monday the 3d day of Octr. next att two o'clock p.m. then to meet at this Place.

Attest Jona. Ward Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Jona. Newton Rect from the Treasurer Augt. 30 1774

Augt 30 1774 Rec'd of Jona Newton five pounds Six Shillings & Eight Pence in full for a highway Sold to him by the Town of Southbough last May together with the interest being one shilling one penny, one Farthing per me John Fay Treasurer for Southborough
A true coppy Attest James Parker, Town Clerk.

Southboro' Octr. 3d. 1774 The Town being met according to adjournment & the meeting opened the Town proceeded to act. Viz.

On the 3d. Article

Voted to chuse one person to join with the provincial Congress to be convened & held at Concord on 2nd. Tuesday of Octr. Currt. and for sd person or Delegate choose Capt. Jona Ward to attend at Said Congress. Then a motion was made & Seconded whether the Town will purchase a Field piece which being put to vote passed in the negative.

Voted to approve & Justifie the proceeding of the Committee of Several Towns as transmitted to this Town by the Town Clerk of Boston Dated Sept. 27, 1774, Then voted to adjourn the Meeting Monday the 17th day of Augt currt at 2 o'clock p.m. to meet at this place.

Attest Jona Ward Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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Southboro Octr. 17 1774. The Town being met according to adjournment--the meeting opened, the Town proceed to act. Viz.

Voted to disolve the aforesd. Meeting.

Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk
Attest Jona Ward Moderator.

Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Edw. Newton & Moses Bruce Constables for Southborough.....Greetings

LS. You are hereby Required in His Majestys Name forthwith to warn all the Freeholders & other inhabitants of the town of Southboro quallified for Voting in Town affairs to assemble at the public Meeting House on Monday the 17th of Octr. currt. at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles.

1. To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2. For the Town to determine whether they will purchase a Field peice & how large a one & Material necessary for the use of the Same and grant any sum of money to purchase the Same or for any other use as they shall see fit when met.
3. To See if the Town will Separate any part of the Town for minute men & how great a part as also whether the Town will pay them & determine what their wages will be.

4. To See if the Town will appoint any person to procure Wood for the Widow Deliverance Salter and how much.

5. To See if the Town will purchase Fire arms for the use of Such poor as are unable to purchase for them Selves.

6. For the Town to pass any vote or votes for securing Defending, Recovering, & Maintaining our Rights & priviledges.

7. To See if the Town will determine whether Town Meeting in the Town shall be warned during the Town pleasure by posting at Such places as the Town Shall appoint.

8. To See if the Town will abate the Rate on the pole of Daniel Morse Set to Wm. Onthank as Guardian in a List of assessment Committed to Joseph Newton A. D. 1773.
Here of fail not, and make Return of this Warrent to the Selectmen James Parker Town Clerk.
Octr. 17, 1774, I have warned the Quallified Voters in my District to meet at Time and place as directed in the above Warrant.

Edwd. Newton(Constables for
Moses Bruce (Southborough.

Southboro Octr. 17. 1774. The Town being met according to the above Warrent which being read and the meeting opened, The Town proceeded to act. Viz.

On the 1st. Article' Choose Capt. Josiah Fay Moderator for Said Meeting

On the 2nd Article.' Voted not to purchase a Field Piece

Voted to add to Towns Stock of Ammunition

10 L. granted for Ammunition

Voted to Raise Ten pounds, to be levied on the poles & Estates Rateable in Southborough for Supplying the Town with a Stock of Ammunition.

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On the 3rd Article' Voted not to act on this Article.

On Art. 4 her Door at' Voted that Joseph Newton procure 4 cords of wood for the Widow Deliverance Salter, to be brought to 4/pr. Cord. and Robert Fay to inspect the Same.

The 5th Article' This Article passed in the negative

On Art. 7th' Voted not to act.

On art. 8th' Voted not to abate the Rate on the pole of Daniel Morse, Set to Wm. Onthank as Guardian in a List of Assessment Committed to Joseph Newton A. D. 1773. Then by Vote the Meeting was adjourned to Monday the 14th Day of Nov.r. next at 1 o'clock p.m. to meet at this place.

Attest Josiah Fay Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

Southborough Nov.r. 14, 1774 The Town being met according to adjournment and the Meeting opened proceeded to act Viz. after Reading the Transactions of the Continental Congress, Voted to adjourn the Meeting to Monday the 28 Day of Nov. Curt. at 1 o'clock p.m. to meet at this place .

Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk
Attest Josiah Fay Moderator.

Worcester Ss. To Messrs Edwd. Newton & Moses Bruce Constables for Southboro.....Greeting:
L.S. You are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough quallified according to the Royal Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representative to assemble at the publick Meeting House in Said town on Monday the 12th Day of December Currt. at 1 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles Viz.

1. To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2. To See if the Town will chuse a Collector or Collectors to Collect the Rates assessed to the Poles & Estates Rateable in Southboro for the present Year.
3. To See if the Town will approve or Disapprove of the Transactions of the Continental Congress and also to Chuse a Committee of inspection according to the 11th art. of their association for the purpose therein expressed.
4. To See if the Town will approve or Disapprove of the proceedings of the provincial Congress and act on any matters that have been, or may be Recommended by them as they Shall think fit.
5. For the town to pass any Vote or Votes for recovering, Securing, & Maintaining our Rights & privilidges.
6. To See if the Town will Determine where the assessors of this Town shall make Return and indemnifie them in making Such Returns as they Shall order. Here of fail not and make Return of this

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This Warrant at or before the Day appointed for Said Meeting.
Dated at Southborough December the 5th 1774.

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker Town Clerk

Southboro' December 12th 1774. I have warned the quallified Voters in my District to attend at Time and place as directed in the foregoing Warrant.

Edwd. Newton) Constables for
Moses Bruce) Southboro

Southboro December 12 1774, the Town being met according to the above Warrant which being Read with the Return thereon, proceeded to act. Viz.

On the
1st. Article 'Choose Capt. Josiah Fay Moderator for Sd. Meeting.
Voted not to act on the 2nd article

On the
3d. Article 'Voted to approve of the Transaction of the Continental Congress.
Voted to chuse a Committee of inspection as Recommended in the 11th art. of their associations. Voted to chuse 5 for sd. Commtee.
Choose James Parker-Voted to excuse James Parker. Choose:

Capt. Josiah Fay, Cap. Elijah Fellows, Ensn. Nathan Bridges, Lieut. Wm. Collins, Mr. Isaac Johnson (Committee (of inspec- (tions

On the 4th Article 'Voted that the Constables of This Town pay in Such money 'as belongs to the province that they have or may have in their Hands to Henry Gardner Esqr. of Stow, Receiver General or his Successor, as Soon as may be, and also to Defend them in So doin. if need be.
Dismissed this article for the present.

On the 6th Article 'Voted that the assessors issue their Warrants to the Consta- 'ble of this Town, directing them to pay to Henry Gardner Esqr. of Stow, Receiver General of this province, or his Successor L. 35-7-0 it being the whole proportion of this Town according to the Grant of the General Court at their Session last May and to indemnifie them in So Doing.
Then voted to adjourn the meeting to Monday the 2nd. Day of Jany. next at 1 o'clock P.M. to meet at this place.

Attest Josiah Fay, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Southborough Jany. 2 1775. The Town being met according to adjournment & the meeting opened proceeded to act Viz.

Voted to Contribute to the Relief of the poor of Boston.
Voted to chuse two men to Receive the Donations for Boston.
Choose Capt. Josiah Fay and John Angier for the purpose afore Said.
Voted that the aforesaid committee take all proper care to preserve and Transmit

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Transmit the Donations of this Town to the Committee in Boston appointed to Receive the Same for the use of the poor of Said Town. Then voted to adjourn the meeting to Monday the 16th Day of of Jany. Currt. at 1 o'clock P.M. to meet at this place.

Attest Josiah Fay Moderator.
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Southborough Jan. 16, 1775. The Town being met according to adjournment and the meeting opened, proceeded to act. Viz.
Voted to chuse a Delegate to join with the proposed provincial Congress to be convend at Cambridge on the first of Feby. next, Choose Capt. Josiah Fay for Said Delegate Then voted to dissolve the Meeting.

Attest Josiah Fay Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Select men of Southborough Delivered into the Hands of Dean. John Fay Treasurer for Southborough, Two pounds Two shillings, it being for the money gotten for the Cloathing of Beriah Newton.

Isaac Johnson) Selectmen
Manasseh Stow) for
Aaron Fay) Southboro

Jan 16, 1775

Coppy attest James Parker Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Select men of Southborough March 3d. 1775. Having examined the accts of Dean John Fay Treasurer for Southborough, We find he has been chargeable with one hundred eight pounds Six Shillings, five pence three farthings and that he has produced proper Vouchers Shewing the he has paid

MISS IDA M. NEARY
225 MAPLE STREET
FRAMINGHAM CENTRE, MASSACHUSETTS

Feb. 7 1948

Town Clerk,
Southboro. Mass.,
Dear Sir,

I have a letter from Washington D.C. telling me that they have a record that the Town of Southboro gave a sum of money to the sufferers from the Boston Port Bill under the date of February 6, 1775.

Will you kindly look in the old records and find if it is so recorded? If you will find the type written copy recently made by the W.P.A. it is easier to read.

If the name of the contributors or givers, is the name of Bezaleel Walker among them.

If driving conditions were better I would come up. I thank you.

Sincerely,

Ida M. Neary.

one hundred and thirty two pounds Seventeen Shillings & two pence and there now remains in Sd. Fays hands fiveteen pounds Nine Shillings, three pence & three Farthings for which Sd. Fay is accountable to the town exclusive of of what is assessed for the Year 1774

Isaac Johnson)
Manasseh Stow)Selectmen
Aaron Fay) for
Solomon Newton) Southboro

Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Settlement with Treasurer Fay ad. 1775 L.s.

Worcester Ss To Messrs Edward Newton and Moses Bruce Constables for Southborough or Either of them.....Greeting--

You are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the public Meeting House on Monday the 6th day of March next at 12 O'clock at noon to act on the following Articles Viz.

1. To Chuse a Moderator for Sd. Meeting.

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2. To Chuse Town officers for the year ensuing as the Law directs.
3. To chuse one or more persons to inspect the Killing of Deer Contrary to Law.
4. To Chuse Grave Diggers, a pound keeper, and Some person to Sweep the Meeting House and to Lock and unlock the Doors of the Same for the year ensuing.
5. For the Town to agree upon and Grant a Sum of money for repairing Highways in Said Town for the year ensuing.
6. To agree upon and Grant a Sum of Money to pay a Schoolmaster & other Town Debts.
7. To chuse a Committee to hire a School Master the year ensuing.
8. For the Town to Consider and allow any Town Debts to those to whom the Town is justly indebted.
9. For the Town to chuse a committee to Squadron out the school if they see cause.
10. For the Town to Determine whether their Swine shall run at large the year ensuing.
11. To See if the Town will grant Liberty to Each Squadron to draw their proportion of the money Granted to Maintain the School, and to hire a school master at Such Times in the Year as shall best suit Each Squadron, every squadron, notwithstanding to have liberty to Send to any part of the Town at any Time and for the Town to act thereon as they shall think fit when met.
12. To See if the town will abate the Rates of John Richards as Set in a List of Assessments Committed to Mark Collins A.D. 1773
13. To See if the Town will pay their Minute Men and Determine what their wages Shall be and how often they shall train
14. To See if the Town will make Samll. Phillips any consideration Relative to the Rent of the Road leading out of the Road from Jotham Bellows to his House thro the Gate towards John Angiers.
15. For the town to pass any Vote or Votes for Recovering, Securing, and Maintaining our Rights and Privileges.

Hereof fail not and Make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for Said Meeting Dated at Southborough the 13th Day of Feby. A.D. 1775

By order of the Selectmen

James Parker Town Clerk

Southborough March 6, 1775 I have executed this Warrant by posting up a Notification agreeable to a Vote of the town.
Edwd. Newton Constable for Southboro.

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Southborough March 6 1775, The Town being Met according to the aforegoing Warrant and the Meeting opened the Town proceeded to act viz.

1. Choose Isaac Johnson Moderator for Said Meeting)
On the 2nd Article 'Capt. Elijah Bellows) Wardens who declined
'Jona. Champney)
'David Newton was chosen the)
'13 day)

Hog Reeves: Elijah Johnson, Abner Parker, Manasseh Stow, James Bridges

Selectmen: Isaac Johnson, Lieut. Wm. Collins, Manasseh Stow, Capt. Josiah Fay, David Newton, Capt. Aaron Fay, Town Clerk--James Parker

On the 3d. art. (Chose Asahel Mathews, (Ezra Taylor Deer Reeves

On the 4th art. (John Bellows, (Jotham Bellows Chose Grave Diggers

Constables: Daniel Johnson, David Woods Benja Parker was accepted to serve in this Room the 7th Day.
For a pound keeper and to Lock & Unlock the Doors of the Meeting house & Sweep the Same. Choose Abner Parker.

Assessors: Asahel Moore, Solomon Newton, Jonas Ball

Town Treasurer) Dean John Fay

Tything Men: Jona Champney, Nathan Bridges, Aaron Fay

On the 5th Article) Granted L. 60-0-0 to Repair Highways to be assessed to poles & Estates rateable in Southboro.

Field Drivers: Ezra Taylor, Edwd. Chamberlain

On the 6th Article) Granted L.70.00 to pay a School Master & other Town debts to be assesd. to the Poles & Estates rateable in Southboro.

Surveyors of high-ways and Collection of the money granted for the Same.

Lemuel Newton
Jotham Bellows
Jabez Newton
Zaccheus Witherbee

Sealer of Leather

John Angier

Fence Viewers

Capt. Elijah Bellows
Jonas Ball

Then Voted to adjourn the meeting to tomorrow at 1 o'clock to meet at this place

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

The above officers were Sworn to the faithful Discharge of their Respective offices before the Selectmen of Said Town.

Attest J. Parker Town Clerk.

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March 7, 1775 The Town being again met according to adjournment proceeded to act on the business of the Warrant viz.

On the 7 Article 'Chose Seth Newton, Capt. Aaron Fay & Elijah Brigham Committee to Hire a Schoolmaster.

On the 8 Article 'Granted to Capt. Aaron Fay for Cloathing for Samll. Bellows 2- 3- 5-3

Granted to	ditto for Cloathing for the Wd. Bodingham	0-11- 7-1
Granted to	Wm. Onthank for Board, the Wido Bodingham	0- 8- 0-0
Granted to	Elijh Bellows for Wood for Samll Bellows	0- 2- 0-0
Granted to	Eph. Ward for making Rates	0-12- 0-0
Granted to	Wm. Winchester for Board for Wid. Bodinham	0-14-10-2
Granted to	Asahel Moore for making copy Rates.	0-16- 6-0
Granted to	Dea Fay for Serving as Treasurer.	0-12- 0-0
Granted to	Solomon Newton for making copy Rates.	1- 0- 0-0
Granted to	Capt. Brigham for Sundries in Repairing the Work House.	0-18- 9-0
Granted to	Joshua Smith for ditto.	2-10- 6-1
Granted to	Joshua Smith for care of the Meeting house	0-15- 0-0
Granted to	ditto for an Apron for the Wido Bodinham	0- 3- 4-0
Granted to	Jona Ward for expense at the provl. Congress	4-13- 0-0
Granted to	Ditto for money pd. Dr. Wilson	0- 9- 0-0
The 13th Day Granted to	Tabitha & Hannah Locke for taking care of Samll. Bellows	0- 9- 4-0
	Total.....	26-00- 4-3

9 Article passed in the Negative

On the 10 Article 'Voted that the Swine Shall run at large this year.

Art. 11th passed in the Negative
On
Art. 12.' Voted to abate the Rates of John Richard in Mark Collins List of Assessments being eleven shillings five pence three farthing.
On the 13 Article 'Voted to pay a Certain Number of Minute Men on 'Condition they Shall Sign Such Articles as the Town shall accept.
Voted to Chuse a Commitee to prepare articles for them to sign.
Voted that Said Committee should consist of five accordingly Choose James Parker, Nathan Bridges, Soln. Newton Josiah Fay and Elijah Brigham. Then voted to adjourn the meeting to Monday the 13th of March next at 1 o'clock to meet at this place

Attest Isaac Johnson, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Southboro March 13, 1775 The Town being met according to adjournment and the meeting opened proceeded to act viz.

Chose David Newton Warden in the Room of Jona Champney
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On Art. 13th 'The Articles for the Minute Men to Sign were Read 'but not agreed to. A Number of Votes were put but none passed.
On the 14th Article' Voted to abate to Samll Phillips the whole of the Rent of the Road leading out of the Road from Jotham Bellows to his House thro the gate toward John Angiers.
Voted to reconsider the above Vote and to have the matter lay as it did before. Then voted the School should begin 1st at the South Side 2 at the West End at the East End 4 at the Center. Then the Meeting was adjourned to Monday next at 1 O'clock to meet at this place.

Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town clerk.

Southboro March 20 1775, the Town being again met to according to adjournment and the meeting opened proceeded to act Viz. Upon Complaint made by Jonas Ball against Job Bigelow wherein Sd. Ball accused Sd. Bigelow of an Insult offered to Sd. Ball or James Parker in the Kings High-Way, by calling him a Tory & fireing a gun.
Whereupon Voted unanimously to bear public Testimony against and Discountenance all Such insults what ever. Then the Town Choose Lieut. Wm. Collins to go to Capt. Josiah Fay and Desire him to let Sd. Bigelow Come before the Town & make ansr. to Said Complaint but Sd. Bigelow refused Saying Damn him I will put in a Bullet next time. The Town then Choose Coll. Jona. Ward, Capt Nathan Brigham & Capt Aaron Fay as a Committee to Capt. Fay to Desire him to to Deliver up Sd. Bigelow to answer before the Town & Sd. Committee Reported that the Capt refused to Deliver him, till the matter was proved. Then the Town Voted that the year for the Rent of the Work House let to Thos Stone 1774 Should Commence the last Day of April.

Then Voted to let the Same to sd. Stone for one Year more at the Rate of 18/ pr Year.
On the 13th Article 'Voted to accept the Articles the Minute men had 'Drawn provided they Sign them and the Capt. Shall Render a true Muster Rool to Town to their Satisfaction (See page 31-32) Job. Bigelow appeared at last before the Town and After hearing what he had to Say, it was put to a vote whether it was satisfactory and it passed in the negative, at the Same meeting David Newton was legally chosen Sealer of Weights & Measures & Sworn before the Town Clerk.
The Meeting was then adjourned to Monday the first Day of May next at 1 o'clock, P.M. to meet at this place.
Attest Isaac Johnson, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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April 11th, 1775. Recd. of Joseph Newton the Sum of twenty Pounds being part of the Province Tax Set on the Town of Southboro by the General Court in the year 1775. For Which Sum I have Given the Said Newton another receipt of the the Same Tenor and Date with this.
By order of the provincial Congress.
Henry Gardner Recd.
A true Coppy Attest James Parker Town Clerk

March Meeting 1775 Continued
Southboro' May 1, 1775, The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting to Monday the 22nd. Day of May Currt. at 1 o'clock P.M. to meet at this place.
Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator.
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

May 22 1775. The Town being met according to adjournment & the meeting opened proceeded to act Viz.
Voted to take no notice of the writ issued by Govn. Gage for Calling an assembly or House of Representatives.
Voted to Send a Delegate to the provincial Congress, to be convened at Watertown on Wednesday ye 31st Day of May currt.
Accordingly Choose Lieut. Wm. Collins for Sd. Delegate.
Then voted to Disolve the meeting.
Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

June Ye 21 1775. I for Value Rec'd promise to pay John Fay Treasurer for Southborough one pound four shillings on Demand with interest till paid, Witness my Hand.
Jonas Ball
A true coppy Attest James Parker Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Daniel Johnson & Benja. Parker, Constables for Southborough.....Greeting
L.S. You are hereby Required in his Majesties Name to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro, in your Respective Districts quallified according to the Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative to assemble at the Meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the 10th Day of July next at 1 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles. Viz.

To Chuse one or more person or persons legally quallified to Represent them in a Great and General Court or assembly to

be convened and held for Service of this Colony at the Meeting House in Water Town on Wednesday the 19th Day of July next, and So During their Session & Sessions untill the Day proceeding the last Wednesday of May next, if Necessary, Hereof fail not, and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for Sd. Meeting Dated at Southborough June 27 1775. By order of the Selectmen,
James Parker Town Clerk

Southboro July 10, 1775 I have warned the quallified Voters in my District to meet at Time and place as Directed in the aforegoing Warrant, Daniel Johnson, Benja Parker, Constables for Southboro.

Southboro July 10, 1775 The Town being met according to the Warrant and the Meeting opened proceeded to act Viz. Voted to chuse a Representative - accordingly Made Choice of Col. Timo. Brigham

Attest Isaac Johnson in behalf of the Selectmen. Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. To Messrs Daniel Johnson & Benja. Parker, Constables for Southboro.....Greeting.

L.S. You are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough in Your Respective Districts quallified to Vote in Town affairs to Assemble at the Meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the 11th Day of Septr. Currt. at 3 O'clock P.M. to Act on the following Articles Viz.

1. To Chuse a Moderator for sd. Meeting
2. To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to pay the Revd. Mr. Stone his present years Sallery ending the 6th day of June next.

Here of fail not and make Return of this Warrant to the Page 31 Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for Said Meeting Dated at Southboro Septr. 4, 1775.

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker Town Clerk

Southboro Sept 11th 1775. We have warned the Quallified Voters in our Respective Districts to meet at Time and place as Directed in the aforegoing Warrant. Daniel Johnson Benja. Parker Constables for Southboro.

Sept. 11, 1775. The Town of Southboro being met agreeable to the above Warrant, acted as follows Viz.
Art. 1. Asahel Moore was chosen Moderator
Art. 2. Granted the Revd. Mr. Stone for his present years Sallery ending the 8th of June next L.66-13-4 to be assessed to the poles and Estates Rateable in Sd. Town.
The Meeting was Then Disolved.

Attest Asahel Moore Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

The following has Relation to a Note (Page 28 on the 13 art.) Whereas in provincial Congress it was recommended that the least full one quarter part of the Militia of the province should be enlisted & Equipped with war like Accoutrements and proper Officers to Stand as Minute Men to March at the shortest

Notice in Defense of Sd. province if Necessary in Case of an Invasion by the Enemies of the Same. In consequence of which We the Subscribers consisting of 1st Capt. 2 Lieut. 4 Sergt. & 36 Rank & file being his brittanic Majesties Liegne Subjects according to the constitution of the british Nation, having Enlisted & accoutred our Selves according to the Resolves of Sd. Congress & Spent much Time to learn military skill & money to equip ourselves as aforesd. & hold ourselves in Readiness ever since our Engaging in sd. affairs to risk our lives in Support of our Rights and Liberties both civil & Sacred. And it being Recommend by another Resolve of sd. Congress that Each Town pay their Minute men what is reasonable for their Service till they receive pay their Minute Men what is reasonable for their Service till they receive pay from the province which Resolve the Town have not as yet complied with Tho Requested and not withstanding Said Neglect to pay us we have not disbanded our Selves from Sd. Service and Do hereby Engage to hold our Selves in Constant Readiness and if necessary & called upon to March in Defence of our Country its Rights & priviledges provided Sd. Southboro will pay to each of us 4/a Man for our past Service & Expence in equiping our Selves and training and 1/a man for Each 4 Hours we shall exercise

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And to exercise once per Week till the first Day of May next or till the first Day of June if it be the Towns pleasure; and to be paid by the first of July next, or whenever we are called for And provided sd. Southboro neglect & refuse to pay us as aforesaid, we think we ought not to bear the whole of the burthen without some Satisfaction and shall accordingly disband our Selves, and not Stand as minute men any longer, but Take our Fate with the Rest of our Brethren
March 20, 1775.

Josh Fay Capt.
Seth Newton Lieut
Asahel Mathews
Moses Bruce
John Richards
Zacchus Witherbee
Isaac Ball
James Williams
Lemuel Chamberlain
Elisha Fay
Andrew Phillips
Jonah Johnson
Eneas Ward
Jeduthan Newton
Josiah Bridges
Charles Angier
Peter Brewer Jur.
Silas Ball
Aaron Fay Jur.
Jedidiah Parker
Tyrus Newton
Wm. Williams

Ephm. Amsden
Edmund Newton
Edmand Moore
Wm. Winchester
Jona. Champney
John Fay Jur.
Nathan Champney
Samell Hudson Jr.
Heman Fay
James Onthank
Gideon Newton Jur.
Isaac Newton Jur Drummer
Job. Bigelow
Samll. Horne
Joseph Onthank
Elijah Johnson
Mark Collins Jr.
Jona Ball
Henry Newton
Joseph Fay
Joel Brewer

A true Coppy Errs. excepted.

Attest James Parker, Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. To Messrs Daniel Johnson & Benja. Parker Constable for Southboro or Either of them..... Greeting: You are hereby required in his Majesties name, forthwith to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro' Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the public Meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the fourth Day of March next at 12 o'clock noon to act on the following art. Viz.

1. To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
2. To chuse Town Officers for the Year ensuing as the Law Directs
3. To chuse Some persons to inspect the Killing of Deer Contrary to Law.
4. To See whether the Town will let their Swine run at Large this year.
5. To chuse grave Diggers, a pound Keeper, & Some person to Lock and Unlock the Meeting House & sweep the Same.
6. To Agree upon and grant a Sum of money to repair Highways in Sd. Town.
7. To agree upon & Grant a sum of money to maintain a school and pay other Town Debts.
8. To See if the Town will grant Liberty to each Squadron to draw their proportion of the School money and hire a Schoolmaster at Such Times in the year as shall best Suit.

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9. For the Town to chuse a Committee to hire a Schoolmaster if they see cause.
10. To Consider and allow any Town Debts that may be brought by any to whom the Town is indebted.
11. To See if the Town will abate the Rates of Job Bigelow, as Set in a List of assessment committed to Mark Collins A.D. 1773
12. To See if the Town will dismiss their committees of correspond and inspection & chuse new ones in their Room.
13. To See if the Town will provide any Wood for the Widow Salter and how much.
14. For the Town to bring in their Votes for a County Treasurer & Register.
15. To See if the Town will do any thing to prevent unnecessary travelling on the Sabbath Day by the Inhabitants of Sd. Town.
16. To See if the Town will grant to Capt. Aaron Fay & Isaac Johnson the money they paid for hay sent for, by the G. Court. and also the money given to encourage the Militia to inlist in the Continental Service. Here of fail not, and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen, at or before the Day appointed for Sd. Meeting.

Dated at Southborough Feb. 14, 1776
By order of the Select men
James Parker Town Clerk

Southborough March 4 1776, I have executed the Above Warrant by posting a Coppy of the Same agreeable to a vote of this Town
Daniel Johnson Constable for Southboro

Settlement with Treasurer A.D. 1776

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Southboro Feb 29 1776, Having examined the accts of Dean. John Fay Treasurer for Southboro we find he has been Chargable with one hundred Seventy two pounds, thirteen shillings nine pence, two farthings, and that he has produced proper vouchers showing that he has paid one hundred

twenty nine pounds, twelve Shillings, & ten pence, two farthings, And there now Remains in Sd. Fays Hands, forty three pounds & eleven pence for which he is accountable to the Town Exclusive of what is assessed for the year 1775.

Isaac Johnson) Select Men
Wm. Collins) for
Aaron Fay)
David Newton) Southboro

Recorded by J. Parker Town Clerk

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Southborough March 4th 1776. The Town being met pursuant to the above warrant in pages 32-33 which being Read & the Return thereon & the meeting opened proceeded to act Viz.

1st. Choose Isaac Johnson Moderator for Said Meeting.

On Article 2 Chose Hez h. Fay Wm. Onthank Wardens

Selectmen
Isaac Johnson excused by vote
Lieut. Wm. Collins
Capt. Aaron Fay
Capt. Elijah Bellows excused by vote
Capt. Elijah Brigham excused by vote
Dean John Fay
Nathan Bridges
Joshua Smith

Surveyers of Highways and Collector of the money granted to repair the same.

John Johnson
Aaron Amsden
Samll. Newton
John Richards

Fence Viewers
Elijah Fay
Daniel Johnson

Town Clerk: James Parker

Town Treasurer: Dean John Fay

Hog Reeves: Jonas Woods, Tyrus Newton; Moses Newton, Joseph Tuttle

Constables: Elijah Brigham
Lemuel Newton excused by vote the 5 day and Jonas Ball was chosen the same time.

Assessors: Asahel Moore, Solomon Newton
Jonas Ball was Excused by vote the 5th day & Benja. Parker was chosen at the Same Time.

Field Drivers: Tyrus Newton, John Sterne

Sealer of Leather: John Angier

Tything Men
John Angier
Capt. N. Brigham
James Bellows

On Article 3 'Choose Benja. Parker Daniel Johnson Deer Reeves

4th Article 'Voted the Swine Should Run at Large this Year Then Voted 'to adjourn the meeting to tomorrow at 12 o'clock to Meet at this place.

Isaac Johnson, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk

Southboro' March 5, 1776, The Town being met according to adjournment and the Meeting House opened proceeded to act. Viz.

On Article 5 'Choose for Grave Diggers Jonas Woods & Ezekiel Collins 'and to Sweep the Meeting House & Lock & unlock the Same Choose Joshua Smith Pound Keeper

As on Art 6 granted L30 for highways — Voted thirty pounds to Repair High Ways to be assessed to the Poles & Estate Rateable in Southboro.

On Art 7 for School and other town debts — Voted twerty pounds to maintain a School and thirty pounds. To pay Town Debts to be assessed to the poles & estates Rateable in Southboro'

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On the 8th Article 'Voted that Each Squadron Should Draw their proportion 'of the School money and hire a school master at Such Times in the Year as Shall best Suit. Choose Elijah Brigham, Asahel Moore, Jonas Ball, David Newton to proportion Said Money.

Article 9 Voted to chuse a committee to hire a Grammar School Master to teach & instruct any of the Inhabitants of this Town in the Knoledge of the Learned Languages, if any should be Sent for that purpose. Accordingly choose Capt. Nathan Brigham Isaac Johnson, Benja. Parker.

Granted James Parker for Visits & med. for Widow Bodingham	0-16-6
Granted Phineas Bruce for taking care of Saml. Bellows	6-12-0
Granted Solmn. Newton for making & coppying Rates	1- 2-0
Granted Wm. Collins for Services at the Congress	3-10-0
Granted Jonas Ball for making and coppying Rates	1- 0-0
Granted Asahel Moore for Ditto	1- 0-0
Granted Wm. Winchester for Board. Wid. Bodingham	0- 9-9
Granted John Johnson for Ditto	6-14-5
Granted Wm. Collins for a pair of Stockings for sd. Bellows	0- 3-0
Granted David Newton for a pair Stockings & for Ditto	0- 4-4-2
Granted to Ditto for Wood for Wid. Salter	0- 7-6
Granted to Abner parker for care of the Meeting House	0-18-4
Granted Isaac Johnson for Bullet Baggs.	0- 8-8
Granted Dean Fay for Serving Treasurer	0-12-0
Granted Thos Stone for Bullet Boxes & Coffin	0- 8-11-2

On Article 11 'Voted to abate Job. Bigelow Rates for 1773 being 8/

Town Officers sworn — Then the Town Officers chosen the 4th & 5th Days were Sworn to the faithful Discharge of their Respective Offices by the Selectmen.

Sealer of [redacted] Weights & Measures Apptd & Sworn

At the Same Meeting David Newton was chosen by the Selectmen and Constables Sealer of weights & measures & Sworn by the Town Clerk, Then voted to adjourn the meeting to tomorrow at 12 o'clock at noon to meet at this place

Attest Isaac Johnson, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk

Southborough March 6 1776, The Town being met according to adjournment & the Meeting opened proceeded to act Viz.
On the Article 12 'Voted to Dismiss the Committees of Correspond & inspection and to chuse a committee agreeable to a Resolve of the Genll. Court.
Article 13th Feb 13 1776 for sd. Comtee chose Isaac Johnson, Danl. Johnson, D. Newton, J. Bridges.
Voted to provide 6 cord of Wood for Widow Salter for the Year ensuing.

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On Article 14th 'The Votes for a county Register being called for, the Town brought in twenty three votes for Joseph Dorr, Esqr. and for a County Treasurer, twenty six Votes for Wm. Young.
Article 15 Voted to Discountenance and Discourage to the utmost of our power all unnecessary travelling and Business on the Sabbath by any of the Inhabitants of this Town, and also recommended to the Wardens that they carefully inspect and inform of all Breeches of the Law relating to the Sabbath
On Article 16th 'Granted Capt. Aaron Fay and Isaac Johnson L 3-6-3 for the money they paid for hay sent for by the g. Courts Then voted to disolve the meeting

Attest Isaac Johnson, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Jonas Ball & Elijah Brigham constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
IS. You are hereby Required in the name of the Government of this Colony forthwith to warn all the Free holders of 40/ pr ann. or other Estates to the Value of L 50/ Sterling to assemble at the public Meeting house in Sd. Town on Fryday the 21th Day of May Currt. at 1o'clock P.M. to act on the following Articles Viz.

1th To Elect one or more person or persons to Serve for and Represent the town in a Great and General Court to be convened and kept for the Service of this colony at the Meeting House in Watertown on Wednesday the 29th of May Currt at 9 o'clock A.M. & So de Die in Diem During the Session or Sessions.

2. To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining Business of Sd. Meeting.
3. For the town to hear the Report of the Select men relating to the alteration of the Road by the House of Amos Newton Junr.

and for the Town to act thereon as they shall think fit.
4. For the Town to Grant Capt Josiah Fay his accts. for his Services at the Congress A.D. 1774.
5. For the Town to abate the Rates of Richard Tozer & Edmund Newton as Set in a list of Assessments, Committed to Moses Bruce A. D. 1774.
6. For the town by vote to impower the Select men to draw money out of the treasury to purchase Such War like tools and implements as is directed in the act for the Regulation of Militia.
7. To hear and accept a List of Jurors. Here of fail not and make Return of the Warrant to the Selectmen at or before the day appointed for Sd. meeting Dated at Southboro May 15th 1776.

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. Southboro May 21, 1776, We have warned the Qullified Voters in our Respective Districts to meet at Time & place and for the purpose Directed in the foregoing Warrant

Jonas Ball)Constables for
Elijah Brigham)Southboro

Southborough May 21, 1776 the Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, proceeded to act viz.

Voted to send a Representative, accordingly made Choice of James Parker, Then choose Lieut Wm. Collins Moderator.

On Article 3. 'Voted to accept the Report of the Select men about the Road by the House of Amos Newton, Jun. The Report is as follows.

Viz: Southboro May 18, 1776, after viewing the Premises we began a line twenty Rods Northerly of Sd. Newtons House on the West Side of the Road at a Heap of Stones close to Sd. Newtons Fence runing Six Rods near the Cart Hut, thence fourteen Rods coming East to the House then Leaving two Rods against the End of Lane that leads up from John Newtons for his priviledge of Coming into the Road East to Sd. Amos, his House, thence Six Rods to a heap of stones thence turning westerly Six rods.....to the Side of the Wall Southerly of the House of the above named Amos Newton, We the Subscribers think it will be no Damage to the public to make the alteration and give the old Road to Amos Newton for the new one, he paying the Town four shillings he having four Rods of Land more than was purchased by him to Lay the New Road on, the Sd. Amos Newton to clear and make the new Road passable, and the new Road to be two Rods Seven Links wide in the narrowest place.

Wm. Collins)Selectmen
John Fay) for
Nathan Bridges)
Joshua Smith)Southboro'

On Article 4 'Granted Capt Josiah Fay ten pounds fiveteen Shillings for his Services at the Congress A.D. 1775.

On Article 5 'Voted to abate the Rates of Edmond Newton and Richard Tozer, being 7 4/$\frac{0}{4}$

The 6th Art. passed in the affirmative, on the 7th Art. accepted a List of Jurors and Separated one fourth part for the Superior Box. Then by Vote the Meeting was Disolved.

Attest Wm. Collins, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker

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Worcester Ss. Southboro June 6, 1776
To Messrs Jonas Ball & Elijah Brigham Constables for Southboro.....Greeting:
In the Name of the Government & people of Massachusetts Bay, You are hereby forthwith Required to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro' quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to meet at the meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the the 10th of June instant at 8 o'clock A.M. to act on the following articles. Viz.

1st to Chuse a Moderator for Sd. Meeting.
2 To see if the Town will comply with and act upon an act Enstituted an act for the providing a Speedy & Cheap Course for the Recovery of Debts & Chuse some meet person to Recognize Debts as provided by Said act.
3 To See if the Town will pass a vote, that if the Honourable Continental Congress Should for the safety of the Colonies Declare them Independent of Great Britton, they the Sd. Inhabitants will Solemnly Engage with their Lives & fortunes to Support them in the Measure and make Return of your Doings to us on or before sd. Time.

W. M. Collins)Selectmen
John Fay)
Aaron Fay) for
Nathan Bridges)
Joshua Smith)Southboro

Southboro' June 10, 1776. We have warned the Quallified Voters in our Respective Districts to meet at Time and place as Directed in the above Warrant.

Jonas Ball)Constables For
Elijah Brigham)Southborough

Southboro June 10, 1776. The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to act, viz:

1st. Choose Lieut. W. M. Collins Moderator for Sd. Meeting.
2. Choose Solomon Ward to take Recognizances of Debts as Directed by an act of the General Court, Sd. Ward was Sworn by the Selectmen according to Law.
3. Then Voted to adjourn the meeting to 5 o'clock P.M. to meet at this place.

Attest Wm. Collins Moderator

June 10, 1776, 5 o'clock P. M. the Town being met according to adjournment proceeded to act viz:

On Article 3d. 'Which passed in the affirmative, Then the meeting was Disolved

Attest Wm. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk

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Perambulation of Lines & Renewal of Bounds.

April 29, 1776. We the Subscribers being Duly appointed, have this Day perambulated & renewed Bounds between Marlboro and Southboro' to the Satisfaction of Both parties, omiting the bounds on pine Hill that was formerly renewed.

Nathan Bridges)For — Moses Woods)For
Jonas Ball)South- — (E Barnes)Marl-
Nathan Brigham)boro — (George Brigham)borough

Westbo & Southbo'

April 15, 1776. We the Subscribers duly appointed have this Day perambulated and renewed Bounds between Westboro and Southboro to the Satisfaction of Both parties.
George Andrews, Phinehas Haskill for Westboro'
Nathan Bridges, Nathll. Brigham, Joshua Smith for Southborough

April 15, 1776. We the Subscribers duly appointed met and peramulated and renewed Bounds between Southborough and Northborough.

Nathn. Brigham — Wm. Collins)Comtee for
Nathan Bridges — Joshua Smith)Southboro'
Levi Brigham, Jonathan Bruce for Northboro'

May 27, 1776. We the Subscribers duly appointed have this Day Renewed Bounds between Framingham and Southborough.

John Trowbridge,)for — (Aaron Fay)for
John Shattuck)Framingham — (Elijah Bellows)Southborough

Worcester Ss. Southboro 27 Augt. 1776
To Messrs. Elijah Brigham and Jonas Ball Constables for Southboro.....Greeting:
You are hereby Required in the Name of Government of this State forth with to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of this Town, quallified to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Meeting House in Sd. Town, on Monday the 9th of Septr. next at 2 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz.:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2ly To agree upon and Grant a Sum of Money to Pay the Revd. Nathan Stone his present years Sallery ending June 8th 1777.
Page 40 3ly To Chuse a Committee to meet the committee from Marlboro to move a monument on pine hill, it being two Rods and Six Links in Southboro.

4ly as Powder and Ball and Flints have been lent to this State to See whether the Town will Replace the Same, or Receive their pay in money. Hereof, fail not and make Return of this Warrant and your Doings thereon to us on or before Said time. Septr 9th 1776. We have Warned the Q uallified Voters in our Respective Districts to meet at Time & place as Directed in the Above Warrant

W. M. Collins)Selectmen
John Fay)
Aaron Fay) for
Nathan Bridges)
Joshua Smith)Southboro'

Jonas Ball)Constables for
Elijah Brigham)Southborough

Sept 9th 1776, The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to Act. Viz.

First Choose Lieut Wm. Collins Modertr for Sd. Meeting.
Secondly Granted the Sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence, to the Rev'd. Nathn. Stone for his present years Sallery Ending June 8th 1777, to be assessed to the poles & Estates Rateable in Southborough
Thirdly Choose Dean John Fay, Capt Nathn. Brigham and Nathan Bridges to meet the Committee of Marlborough for the purpose named in the 3d. article of the aforegoing Warrant.
Fourthly Voted to Replace the Towns Stock Lent to this State the Last Year. Then the Meeting was Disolved.

Attest Wm. Collins, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. Septr. 30 1776. To Messrs. Jonas Ball and Elijah Brigham Constables for Southboro.
You are Required in the name of the Government of this State forthwith to warn all the Free holders & other Inhabitants of the Town in your Respective Districts Qualified to act in Town affairs to meet at the Meeting House the first of Octr. next at 8 o'clock A.M. precisely to act on the Following art. viz:

first to Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.

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Secondly To Chuse a County Register.
Thirdly To Chuse a County Treasurer and act thereon as the Law Directs, and to make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon on or before the Time above mentioned.

Wm. Collins)Selectmen
John Fay) for
Nathan Bridges)Southboro

Octr 1 1776, in obedience to this Warrant I have Strictly obeyed the within Request.

Jonas Ball Constable for Southboro'

Octr. 1 1776 I have Executed the within Warrant.
Elijah Brigham Constable for Southboro'

Oct 1, 1776 The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to Act, viz:

1st. Choose Lieut Wm. Collins Moderator for Sd. Meeting, Then the Votes for a County Register being Called for there were 17 in favour of James Parker and one for Joshua Smith.
Then the Votes for a County Treasurer were brought in being Eleven in favour of Joseph Wheeler.
The Meeting was then Disolved.

Attest W. M. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

N. B. at the above Meeting Amos Newton Jur. paid four Shillings to the Treasurer for the Road he purchased of the Town on the 21st of May last.

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Worcester Ss. Octr. 16, 1776. To Messrs. Jonas Ball & Elijah Brigham Constables for Southborough.
You are Required in the Name of the Government of this State forthwith to warn all male persons in the Town of Southborough in your Respective Districts to meet at the Meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the 21st. of Octr. Currt. at 2 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles. Viz:

1st. To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2. For the Town to Determine whether they will give their consent that the present House of Representatives of the State of the Massachusetts Bay with the Council Consenting in one Body and by equal voice shall consult, agree upon, & Enact Such a Form of Government as the Sd. House & Council Shall think most conducive to the Safety, peace & happiness of this and all Suceeding Generations, and direct the Same to be made public for the Inspection & perusal of the Inhabitance before the Ratification thereof by the assembly, and make Return to the Court and also pass any Vote thereon, which they shall think proper.
3ly to See if any Town will make Search for and Sale of all the Land which Samuel Bellows Died Seized and possessed of, and appoint a Committee for the above purpose and pass any Vote relating to the Same. And make Return of this Warrant, with your Doings thereon, on or before the Time for Sd. Meeting.

Wm. Collins)Select Men
John Fay) for
Aaron Fay)
Nathan Bridges)Southboro'

Octr. 21, 1776, I have warned all the male persons in my district, that are Capable of acting to meet as within directed.
Elijah Brigham, Constable for Southborough

Octr. 21, 1776 In obedience to this Warrant I have nearly obeyed the Within Directions.
Jonas Ball Constable for Southborough

Octr. 21 1776 The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant Proceed to act. Viz:

1-ly Choose Lieut. Wm. Collins Moderator for Said Meeting.
2ly Voted that the present House of Representatives of this State of the Massachusetts Bay together with the Council, they consenting in one Body and by Equal Voice Should consult agree upon and Enact a Form of Government for this State, as Shall most conduce to the safety, peace, and happiness, of this and And all Succeeding Generations, Yet Still Retaining to our Selves the Right to peruse and approve of Said Form.

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Previous to the Ratification thereof by Said assembly 3 Voted to make Search for, and Sale of all the Land which Samuel Bellows, died, seized, and possessed of, and that Daniel Johnson, Solomon Newton & Jonas Ball be a Committee for that purpose. Voted that Said Committee Return into the Treasury all Such Money as they may procure for Said Land and Take the Treasurers Receipt for the Same. Then voted to disolve the Meeting,

Attest Wm. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

Independence

In Congress July 4th 1776 A Declaration by the Representatives of the United States of America in General Congress Assembled.

When in the course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to disolve the political Bands which the Laws of Nature, & of Nature require that they should declare the Cause which impel them to the Seperation,
We hold these truths to be Self Evident, that all men are created equal, that they are Endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, & the pursuit of Happiness--that to Secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among men Deriving their Just powers from the consent of the Governed that when ever any form of Government becomes Destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People, to alter, or to abolish it, & to institute new government laying its foundations on Such principles, and Organizing its powers in Such Forms as to them Shall Seem most likely to Effect their Safety and happiness, Prudence indeed will dictate that Governments long Established should not be changed for light & transients Causes;

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And accordingly all Expereince hath shown, that man kind are more disposed to Suffer while Evils are sufferable, than to Right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses & usurpations, pursuing invariably, the Same Object evinces a Design to reduce them under absolute Despotism it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off Such Government and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Suffering of these Colonies and Such is

now the Necessity which Constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The History of the present King of G. Brittain is a History of Repeated Injuries & usurpations, all having in Direct object the Establishment of an Absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let facts be Submitted to a Candid world. He has Refused his assent to Law the Most Wholesome and necessary for the public good.

He has forbidden his governors to pass laws of immediate & pressing Importance, unless Suspended in their opperation untill his assent Should be obtained, and when so suspended he has utterly neglected to attend to them. He has Refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of Large Districts of people unless those people would relirquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature, a Right inestimable to them and formidable to Tyrants only.

He has called together Legislative Bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable and Distant from the Depository of their public Records; for the Sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his Measures.

He has Disolved Representative Houses Repeatedly for opposing with Manly firmness Invasions on the Rights of the people.

He has Refused for a Long Time after such Dissolutions to cause others to be Elected Whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of annihalation have returned to the people at Large for their Exercise, the State remaining in the meantime exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without and Convulsions within.

He has Endeavored to prevent the population of these States, for that purpose, obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners, Refusing to pass others to Encourage their Migrations hither and Raising Conditions of new apropreations of Lands.

He has obstructed the administration of Justice by refusing his assent to Laws for Establishing judiciary powers.

He has made Judges Dependent on his Will alone for the Tanure of their offices, and the amount and pay most of their Salleries.

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He has Erected a Multitude of new Offices, and Sent hither Swarms of New Officers to harass our people and eat out their Substance.

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies, without the consent of our Legislatures.

He has affected to render the military independent of and Superior to the Civil power.

He has combined with others to Subject us to a Jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws, Giving his assent to their acts of pretended Legislation, For quartering large Bodies of armed Troops among us.

For protecting them by a mock Trial from punishment for any Murders which they Should Commit on the Inhabitants of these States.
For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world.
For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent.
For Depriving us, in many cases of the Benefits of Trial by Jury.
For Transporting us beyond Seas to be Tried for pretended offences.
For abolishing the free system of English Laws in a neighboring province, establishing therein an arbitary Government, & Enlarging its Boundaries So as to render it, at once, an Example & fit instrument for introducing the Same absolute Rule into these Colonies.
For taking away our Charters abolishing our most Valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the forms of our Government.
For suspending our Legislature and Declaring us out of his protection and waging war against us.

He has plundered our Seas, Ravaged our Coasts, burnt our Towns, & Destroyed the Lives of our people.

He is at This Time Transporting large armies of Foreign Mercenaries to Compleat the Works of Death, Desolation & Tyranny, already begun with Circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy Scarcely paralleled in the Most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a Civilized Nation.

He has constrained our fellow citizens, taken captive on the high Seas, to bear Arms against their Country, to become the Executioner of their Friends & Brethren or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has Excited domestic Insurrections amongst us & has Endeavoured to bring on the Inhabitants of our Frontiers, the merciless Indian Saveges whose known Rule of warfare is an undistinguished Destruction of all ages, Sexes and Condition. In every Stage of these oppressions we have petitioned for Redress in the most humble Forms--Our repeated Petitions

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have been answered only by Repeated Injury! A prince whose Character is thus marked by every act which may desire a Tyrant is unfit to be the Ruler of a Free people!
Nor have we been wanting in attention to our British Brethren. We have warned them from Time to Time of attempts by their Legislature to extend an unwarrantable Jurisdiction over us, we have reminded them of the circumstances of our Emigration and Settlement here. We have appealed to their native justices, and magnanimously & we have conjured them by the Ties of our common Kindred to Disfavor these Usurpations, which would inevitably interrupt our Connections & Correspondence They too have been Deaf to the Voice of Justice & of Consanquinity, We must therefore acquecese in the necessity which Denounces our Separation and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in peace Friends.

We therefore, the Representatives of the United States of America in general Congress assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World, for the rectified of our Intentions do, in the name

and by the Authority of the good people of These Colonies Solemly publish & Declare, that these united Colonies are, and of Rights ought to be, Free and independent States that they are absolved from all aligiance to the brittish crown, and that all political Connection between them and the State of Great Brittain is, and ought to be totally disolved, and that as free and independent States, they have full power to levy War, Commence and to Do all other each & Things which Independent States may of Right Do. And for the Support of this Declaration with a firm Reliance on the protection of Divine providence, we mutually pledge to Each other our Lives, our Fortune, and Our Sacred Honour.

Signed by order, and in behalf of the
Coppy Congress.
John Hancock, President
Attest Charles Thompson Secretary.

Feb 17th 1777. Nathan Bridges paid the Treasurer 7/11½ it being money the Soldiers paid him for ammunition belonging to the Town. Likewise L 1-16-0- for Samell. Bellows Effects at the Same time Wm. Collins paid the Treasurer 12/6 for ammunition as afore Said.

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Worcester Ss. Southboro Feby, 14th 1777,
To Messrs. Jonas Ball or Elijah Brigham Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby Required in the Name of the Government of the State of the Massachusetts Bay forthwith to warn all the free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro', quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Meeting House in Said Town on Tuesday the 18th Instant at 12 o'clock precisely to act on the following Articles-Viz:

First To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2ly For the town to agree upon and Grant a Sum of Money as an additional Encouragement to Raise our Q uota of men of this Town, and pass any vote or votes concerning the Same as the Town Shall think fit.
And make return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or before the Time for Sd. Meeting.

Worcester Ss. Feby. 18, 1777. I have Warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants as within Directed.

Jonas Ball Constable for Southboro'

Wm. Collins)Selectmen
John Fay)
Aaron Fay) for
Nathan Bridges)
Joshua Smith)Southboro'

Worcester Ss. Southboro Feby 18, 1777. I have warned the Inhabitants of this Town within my District as Directed in the foregoing Warrant.

Elijah Brigham, Constable for Southboro'

Feby. 18, 1777, The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to Act. Viz:

First Choose--Lieut Joshua Smith Moderator for Said Meeting.

On Article 2nd' Voted the Sum of Ten pounds to be given to Each person who shall Engage in the Continental Service for 3 years or During the War, to be assessed to the poles and Estates Rateable in Southboro'

Voted that the Town Treasurer be directed to hire the money for the Service afore Said, and give his Security for the same till Said money shall be assessed and collected.
Then voted to Dissolve the Meeting.

Attest Joshua Smith Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

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Southboro Feb 11th 1777.

We the Subscribers Select men and Committee of Correspond for the Town of Southboro' pursuant to an act to prevent Monopoly and oppression have, agreeable to the power invested in us by Said act affixed and settled the following Prices unto the hereafter named Articles. Viz:

Farming Labour the 2 Best months viz. from the 15th of June to the 15 day of Augt at 3/ per Day.....	0:3:0:0
The next three best months viz. from the first of May to the 15th of June and from the 15 of Augt to first of Octr. 2/ per day.....	0:2:0:0
The 4 next best months viz. March, April, Octr. and Nov.r. 1/8 per day.....	0:1:8:0
The 3 Winter Months 1/3 per Day.....	0:1:3:0
Good Wheat 6/8 pr. Bushel Good Rye 4/4 per.....	(0:6:8:0
Bushel.....	(0:4:4:0
Good Indian Corn at 3/2 per Bushel.....	0:3:2:0
Good Sheeps Wool at 2 per lb.....	0:2:0:0
Fresh Pork of the best quallity 4 per lb.....	0:0:4:0
Salt Pork at 7 per lb. good grass fed.....	(0:0:7:0
Beef at 2/½ per lb.....	(0:0:2:2
Best Stall Fed Beef at 3¼ per lb.....	0:0:3:1
Raw Hides at 3 per lb.....	0:0:3:0
Raw Calve Skins at 6d. per lb.....	0:0:6:0
Tavern Keepers for a meal of Victuals of the best Sort not to Exceed 1 per meal.....	0:1:0:0
And for the Common Sort not to exceed 8 per meal.	0:0:8:0
For a mugg of West India Phlip. 10d.....	0:0:10:0
For a mugg of New England Phlip 8.....	0:0:8:0
For half a jill of West India Rum.....	0:0:2:0
For half a jill of New England Rum 1½d.....	0:0:1:2
For a mess of oats 3d.....	0:0:3:0
For Keeping a Horse a Night or 24 Hours.....	0:1:3:0
For Keeping a Yoak of Oxen a night 1/6.....	0:1:6:0

For Lodging a person a night 3d..... 0:0:3:0
Lump Butter 9 per lb. Furkins Butter 8½.....(0:0:9:0
per lb.....(0:0:8:2
Good Peas 7/ per Bushel..... 0:7:0:0
Good Beans 5/ per Bushel..... 0:5:0:0
Good Potatoes in the fall 1/ and in the Spring.....(0:1:0:0
¼ per Bushel.....(0:1:4:0
Good turnips 8 per Bushel..... 0:0:8:0
Mens good Yarn Stockings 6/ a pair..... 0:6:0:0
Mens Shoes of the Best Sort 7/6 a pair..... 0:7:6:0

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Womens Shoes and others in the Same Proportion.

Good oats at 2 per Bushel 0:2:0:0
Good Barley 3/8 per Bushel Malt the Same 0:3:8:0
Good well dressed Flax at 1/ per lb. 0:1:0:0
Tried Tallow 7 pr lb. Ruff tallow 4½d.....(0:0:7:0
(0:0:4:2
Good yard Wide Tow Cloth 2/3 pr. Yard..... 0:2:3:0
and other Tow Cloth in proportion according to the width and Quallity, the price of coarse linnens after the Same Rate cotten & Linnen and Wollen Cloths referred to the act.
Tanning of Leather not to exceed 2 per lb..... 0:0:2:0
Good Veal 2½ per lb..... 0:0:2:2
Good Mutton 3½ per lb..... 0:0:3:2
Good Lamb 3 per lb..... 0:0:3:0
Milk by the quart by gross..... 0:0:1:2
Milk by hay by the quart..... 0:0:2:0
English Hay of the best Sort..... 0:2:8:0
Good heart Barrels ⅝ a piece..... 0:3:4:0
Sap Barrels 2/6..... 0:2:6:0
Retailers of Spiritous Liquors not to exceed 8d.
profits pr. gall..... 0:0:8:0
Chuse of the best Sort 5 per lb..... 0:0:5:0
Of the Middlin Sort of the poorer Sort..... 0:0:4:0
Cyder by the Barrell at the press 3/4..... 0:3:4:0
in the spring and summer 6/..... 0:6:0:0
For making mens shoes 2/8 a pair..... 0:2:8:0
Womens and other Shoes in proportion
Shoeing a Horse with plain shoes..... 0:4:4:0
All Black smiths Work Equivalent to the shoeing according to the Extraordinary price of steel.
Womens Common Work 2/8 per Weak..... 0:2:8:0
Good Wood at the Buyers Door 6 pr. Cord..... 0:6:0:0
Char coal 3¼ per Bushel at the pit..... 0:0:3:1
Weaving Yard wide tow cloth 3 pr. yard..... 0:0:4:0
Horse hire for common Service 2 per mile..... 0:0:2:0
Oxen hire 2½ per mile..... 0:0:2:2
For the hire of a waggon in Good Repair 3 per mile..... 0:0:3:0
For making a good pair of cart wheels & finding the stuff1:12:0:0
For the hire of a good cart 2 per mile..... 0:0:2:0
A Good bed stand 6/4 and other Joiners work in prop..... 0:6:4:0
Sawing Boards & Slit work 1/2 ½

Women Taylors Labour being good work mendg..... 0:0:9:0
Work taken in by Taylors proportion
And all other articles not here enumerated to bare the same proportion according to ancient custom.

Isaac Johnson	)Committee	Wm. Collins	)Select Men
David Newton	)of correspond	John Fay	)
John Angier	) For	Aaron Fay	) for
Daniel Johnson	)Southboro	Nathan Bridges	)
		Joshua Smith	)Southboro'

Coppy Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Select men of Southborough Feby 28th, 1777 Having examined the accounts of Dean John Fay, Treasurer for Southboro' We find he has been Chargeable with one hundred Eighty three pounds, Eighteen Shillings, Eight pence two Farthings, and that he has paid one hundred forty too pounds, Eighteen Shillings ten pence three Farthings. And there now Remains in Said Fays Hands Forty pounds nineteen Shillings nine pence three Farthings, for Which he is accountable to the Town, Exclusive of the Assessments for the Year 1776

Wm. Collins	)Selectmen
Aaron Fay	)
John Fay	) for
Nathan Bridges	)
Joshua Smith	)Southboro

Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Jonas Ball & Elijah Brigham, Constables for Southboro or either of them.....Greetings: You are hereby Required in the Name of the people & Government of the State of the Town of Southboro' quallified to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the public meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the 3d. Day of March at 12 o'clock at noon to act on the following articles. Viz:

First to chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
2ly To chuse Town officers for the Year Ensuing as the law Directs
3ly To chuse Some persons to inspect the Killing of Deer against the Law.
4 To See if the Town will let their Swine Run at large the year Ensuing
5. To chose Grave Diggers, a Pound keeper, and Some person to Sweep the Meeting House, and Lock and Unlock the doors of the Same.
6. To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to maintain a School & pay other Town Debts.
7. To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to Repair highways in Said town.
8. To Chuse a Committee to Hire a School master for the Year Ensuing.
9. For the Town to consider & allow all Town Debts to those to whom the Town is Justly indebted.

10. To Chuse a Committee of Correspondence & Inspection & Safety.
11. To See if the Town will procure any Wood for the Widow Deliverance Salter and how much. Here of fail not and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for Said Meeting. Dated at Southboro Feby 17th 1777.

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. March 3d. 1777 In obedience to this Warrant, I have Warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants as within Directed to assemble at the Time & place within mentioned.

Jonas Ball Constable for Southboro'

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Southborough March 3d. 1777. The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to Act, Viz:

On Article 1st.' Chose Lt. Joshua Smith Moderator.

On Article 2nd.' Choose Lt. Wm. Collins
Capt. Aaron Fay
Capt. Seth Newton
Lt. Joshua Smith
Lt. Elijah Brigham
For Selectmen

On the 4th Article' Voted the Swine Should run at large the year Ensuing.

On the 5th Article' Choose Jonas Wood, Ezekiel Collins, for Grave Diggers. For a Pound Keeper Lt. Joshua Smith, And to Lock and unlock the Meeting House and Sweep the Same Chose Abner Parker.

On the 6th Article' Granted twenty Pounds to repair Highways in Sd. Town to be assessed to the Poles and Estates ratable in Southborough.

On the 7th Article' Granted thirty pounds to pay a School Master and other Town Debts to be assessed to the poles and estates ratable in Southboro.

On the 8th Article Choose Jonathan Champney, Elijah Brigham, & Ezra Taylor to hire a school master for the year Ensuing.

Town Clerk James Parker
Town Treasurer Jonas Ball

Constables
Samuel Newton, and James Bellows--Mark Collins Jr. was accepted in the Room of James Bellows the 4th Day.

Assessors
Solomon Newton, Asahel Moore, Benja. Parker

Tything men
Samuel Horne, Nathan Bridges, Capt. Aaron Fay

Field Drivers Capt. Seth Newton, Abner Parker

Surveyors of Highways and Collector of the Money granted for the Same--Joel Newton, Abner Parker, Mark Collins Jur. Tyrus Newton.
Sealer of Leather John Angier

Fence Veiwers
Nathan Taplin, Moses Bruce, Chosen the 4th Day

Hog Reeves
Ezekiel Collins, Ivah Newton, Joseph Tuttle

On
Article 3d.' Chose Daniel Johnson Capt. Aaron Fay Deer Reeves

Then Voted to adjourn the meeting to tomorrow at 1 o'clock at this place. Attest Joshua Smith Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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March 4th 1777. The Town met according to adjournment and proceeded to act. Viz:

On the
9th Article' Granted to James Parker.....L. 0-10- 4-0
Granted to Nathan Bridges..... 4- 5-10-0
Granted to Asahel Moore..... 1- 9- 0-0
Granted to Capt. Aaron Fay..... 0- 6- 0-0
Granted to Elijah Johnson..... 4-16- 0-0
Granted to Dean John Fay..... 0-14- 0-0
Granted to W. M. Collins..... 1- 7- 8-0
Granted to Robt. Fay..... 0- 3- 8-0
Granted to Solomon Newton..... 1- 5- 6-0
Granted to Benja Parker..... 1- 5- 6-0
Granted to Solomon Newton, Daniel Johnson, & Jonas Ball..... 0-12- 0-0
Granted to Joshua Smith..... 1- 6- 8-0

The 10th'
Article ' passed in the Negative

On the
11th Article' Voted to procure five cord of Wood for the Widow Deliverance Salter for the Year Ensuing.

Then Voted that the School Should begin first at the Centre, then at the East End then at the South Side, then the West end. Voted that the School Should Stand Squadroned as it was the year before Last. Pursuant to a Warrant for the choice of a County Register the Town brought in their Votes for the Same, and upon counting and Sorting them there appeared 9 for Joseph Dorr Esqr. and 19 for James Parker.

Then the Town officers chosen at this meeting were Sworn to the faithful Discharge of their Respective offices, by the Selectmen. At the Same Meeting David Newton was legally chosen Sealer of Weights and Measures, and Sworn by the Selectmen.

Then by Vote the Meeting was Disolved.

Attest Joshua Smith Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

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To Messrs. Samuel Newton & Mark Collins Jur. or Either of them, Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby Required forthwith in the Name of the government of this State, to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in your District quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at the meeting House on Thursday 27 Inst. at 3 o'clock P.M. to act on the Following articles. Viz:

First to chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
2ly To chuse a Committee of Correspond, Inspection & Safety agreeably to a Resolve of the General assembly of this State.
3. For the Town to let the Burying place the Year Ensuing and pass any Vote relative to the Same. Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant at or before Said Meeting.

Wm. Collins)Selectmen
Seth Newton) for
Joshua Smith)
Elijah Brigham)Southboro'

March 27, 1777. In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the Quallified Voters in my District to meet at Time & place as above Directed.
Mark Collins Jur. Constable for Southboro

Southborough March 27, 1777, I have warned the Quallified Voters in my District as above Directed

Samll. Newton Constable

Southboro March 27, 1777. The Town met pursuant To the foregoing Warrant & proceeded to act as follows. Viz:

First Choose Lt. Joshua Smith Moderator
Secondly Choose for a Committee of Congress Lt. Jonas Ball, Nathan Bridges, Jona Champney, Daniel Johnson, Lt. Edmund Chamberlain. Jonas Ball was excused a nd Asahel Moore was chosen in his Room.
Thirdly Voted to let the Burying Yard to Jonas Ball for one year, for Six Shillings He mowing the brush on the same.
Then the Meeting was Disolved.

Attest Joshua Smith Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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To Messrs. Mark Collins Jur. & Samuel Newton Constables for Southboro'.....Greeting:
You are hereby Required in Name of the Government of the State

of Massachusetts Bay forthwith to warn all the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro' in your Respective Districts quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at the Meeting House in Said Town, on Friday the 4th of April Currt. at 1 o'clock P.M. to act on the Following Articles. Viz:

First To chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
Secondly, To See if the Town will do any thing further to Encourage the Soldiers in sd. Town to Engage in the Continental Service and pass any Vote Relative to the Same as they shall think fit, Here of fail not and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen by the Day appointed for Said meeting Dated at Southboro April 1st. a.d. 1777

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker Town Clerk

April 4, 1777 I have warned the quallified Voters in my District to meet as above Directed. Mark Collins Jur.
Constable for Southboro.

April 4, 1777. I have warned these in my District to meet at the time & place as Directed in the foregoing Warrant.

Samuel Newton Constable

April 4, 1777. The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to act. Viz:

First choose Lt. Joshua Smith Moderator

On the
2nd. Article' Voted to chuse a committee to Engage as many in the Continental Service as they can by the 9th of April Currt.
Voted Sd. Committee Should consist of five. Choose Jonas Ball, Solomon Newton, & Lt. Elijah Brigham.
Then Voted to adjourn the Meeting to Wednesday next to 2 o'clock at this place.

Attest Joshua Smith Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

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April 9, 1777. The Town being met according to adjournment proceeded to Act. Viz:

On
Article 2nd.' Voted the Sum of Twenty four pounds to Each man who Shall hereafter Engage in the Continental Service for 3 years or During the War, provided they Engage within 10 Days from this Day to be assessed to the poles and Estates ratable in Southborough.
Then Voted to adjourn the Meeting to Friday the 18th Day of this month at 4 o'clock P.M. to meet at this place.

Attest Joshua Smith Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

April 18, 1777. The Town being met agreeable to adjournment proceeded to act Viz:

Voted to Reconsider the Vote of the last meeting of twenty four pounds as granted to all who would enlist between the 9th of April currt. to the 18th as none appeared to inlist.
Then voted to dissolve the meeting.

Attest Joshua Smith Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. Southborough 14, May 1777.
To Messrs. Samuel Newton and Mark Collins Jur. Constables for Southboro.....greeting:
You are hereby required in the name of the Govt. of this State forthwith to warn all quallified Voters in your Districts for the Choice of a Representative to meet at the Meeting House in Southboro on Monday the 19th Day of May Currt. at 4 o'clock P.M. To hear the plan of Government proposed by the General assembly of this State and chuse a Representative with such Instructions as is directed therein. Then to Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining Business of the Meeting.
2ly For the Town to discontinue and sell to Joseph Wetherbee and his Heirs the Road from the Widow Deliverance Salter, to Peter Brewers Gate and Act thereon as the Town Shall think fit when met. Hereof, fail not, and make return of this Warrant to us, with your Doings thereon at or

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before Said Time.

Aaron Fay)Select men
Wm. Collins) for
Seth Newton)
Joshua Smith)Southboro'

Southboro May 19th 1777. I have warned all quallified Voters for the aforesaid Meeting the Time when & place where.

Saml Newton Constable

May 19th 1777 I have warned the quallified Voters in my District to appear at the Time & place directed in the foregoing Warrant

Mark Collins Jur. Constable for Southboro'

Southborough May 19th 1777. The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to act. Viz:

Voted to answer the precept by Sending a Representative Accordingly chose Lt. Wm. Collins to Represent them in the General Court, Then Voted that Said Representative be instructed to proceed in forming a plan of Government agreeable to a Resolve of the General Assembly of this State Dated May 5th 1777.
Then Chose Lt. Wm. Collins Moderator

Then Voted to discontirue and Sell to Joseph Witherbee and his Heirs the Road leading from Widow Deliverance Salters to peter Brewers' Gate, he paying the Town the Sum of three pounds. Then Voted to Disolve the Meeting.

Att. W. M. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Witherbees Recepts

July 12th, 1777. Then Rec'd three pounds of Joseph Witherbe as Recompence for the Road from the Widow Deliverance Salter to peter Brewers Gate, Granted to him by the Town of Southboro'

Jonas Ball Treasurer
Copy Attest James Parker Town Clerk.

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Saml. Newton or Mark Collins Junr. or either of them Constables for Southboro'.....Greeting: You are hereby required In the name of the government & People of Massachusetts Bay forth with to warn all the Free holders & other Inhabitants in your district quallified to Vote in Town meeting to meet att the meeting house in Southboro on Tuesday the 9th of Septr. Current att 4 o'clock P.M. to Act on the following Articles. Viz:

1 to Chose a Moderator for Sd. Meeting.
2ly for the Town to Agree upon and grant to the Revd. Mr. Nathan Stone a Sum of Money for the Present Years Salary Ending June 8th 1788.
3ly To See if the Town will put the Work house in Tenatble Repair & Rent the Same to Samuel Hudson for one year Together with Some Common land Adjoining to the Same. Hereof, fail not & make due Return of this Warrent to us with your doings thereon on or before Sd. time.

Wm. Collins)Selectmen
Joshua Smith) for
Elijah Brigham)Southboro

Dated at
Southboro' the 3d.
day of Sepr, 1777.

Southboro Septr. 8, 1777. In obedience to the written Warrant I have warned the Inhabitants in my District Quallified as is within Required to appear at time & place.

Samuel Newton)Constables for
Mark Collins Jur.)Southboro

Southboro 9th Sepr. 1777. The Town being met Agreeable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to Act. Viz:

1 Chose Lieut. Wm. Collins Moderator
2ly On the 2d. Article Agreed upon & granted Revd. Nathan Stone £75:00 for his Service in the Ministry the present year Ending June 8, 1778 to be Assessed on the Poles and Ratable Estate in Southboro'

3ly On Article 3 Voted not to act upon it.
Then Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

Attest William Collins Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk P. T.

Southboro' 9 Sepr. 1779, paid into the Treasurer by Lieut. Wm. Collins 9/6 for Some things that was got for Elijah Bruces Children & was Niver pd. S. now Sold for the above Sum.

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Samuel Newton and Mark Collins Constables for Southboro or either of them.....Greeting: You are hereby required in Name of the Covernment of the Massachusetts Bay, forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro' Quallified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Meeting House in Sd. Town on Friday the 21th Currt. at 1 o'clock P.M. to act on the Following articles Viz:

1. To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting
2. To See if the Town will in the Sickness of their Revd. Pastor hire preaching and in what manner, and pass any Vote or Votes concerning the Same.
3. as the Selectmen did Some time Since purchase a Number of Small arms from the State Store to See if the Town will purchase them for a Town Stock or pass any vote concerning the Same.
4. To See if the Town will Rent the Work House to Sam.l. Hudson for any Term of Time.
5. For the Town to determine what they will do about the Road they Sold to Joseph Witherbee and now opened by Jury and pass any vote relative to the Same.
6. For the Town to Shew their minds about the Genl. assembly of this State puting the whole of the Bills of public Credit upon Interest that have been emmitted at various Times and pass any Vote about the Same as they shall think fit.

Here of, fail not, and make Return of this Warrant to the Select men at or before Sd. meeting. Dated at Southboro' Nov. 14, 1777.

W. M. Collins) Selectmen
Aaron Fay) for
Joshua Smith) Southboro

Novr. 20, 1777. In obedience to the forgoing Warrant I have warned the Quallified Voters to appear at the time and place above Directed.

Mark Collins Jur. Constable for Southborough.

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Novr. 21, 1777. The Town of Southboro being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to Act. Viz:

First Choose Lt. William Collins Moderator
On the
2nd. Article.' Voted to hire preaching during the Sickness of the

L. 20 granted for preaching

Revd. Nathan Stone, Then choose for a Committee to hire preaching Lt. Smith James Parker, Lt. Elijah Brigham Then Granted twenty pounds to pay a Preacher to be assessed to the poles & Estates rateable in Southboro'

Voted That the afore Said Committee be impowered to draw money out of the Treasury to pay a Preacher.

On Article 3. ' Voted that the Selectmen shall sell to the Inhabitants of this Town the fire arms which Joshua Smith purchased of the State Agent.

Voted to pass over the 4th Article.

On the 5th Article ' Voted that the Treasurer Should repay to Joseph Witherbee the money he gave for the Road from the Wido. Salters to peter Brewers Gate, he the Sd. Witherbee giving a Receipt for the Same & Declaring content therewith.

On Article 6th ' Voted that our Representative be instructed to use his utmost Influence, that the act of the g. Court for calling in the Bills of public credit, emitted at various times & puting them upon Interests, Should be totally Repealed. Then voted to Disolve the meeting.

Attest William Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

money borrowed by the Treasurer and paid to the Soldiers

December 24th 1777. I the Subscriber have agreeable to a Vote of the Town of Southborough borrowed one hundred pounds and paid the Same to ten continental Soldiers.

Jonas Ball Treasurer
A True Copy Entered by James Parker Town Clerk.

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Southborough December 15th 1777. To Messrs Samuel Newton & Mark Collins Jur. Constables for Southboro or either of them .....Greeting:
You are hereby required in the Name of the Government of the State of Massachusetts Bay, forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the 22nd. Instant at 2 o'clock P.M. to act on the following. Viz;

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
Secondly for the town to chuse a Committee to provide for the Families of the Soldiers of the Continental Army, who are part of the Qwota of this Town agreeable to a Resolve of the General Court of this State for that purpose or act thereon as they shall think fit.
Thirdly For the town to make the assessors Suitable Recompence

for their Service in taking the invoice for this Year, or act thereon as they Shall think fit.
Fourthly For the town to determine what they will do further about the act of the G. court for calling in the paper currency & putting the same up on Interest. Here of fail not, and make Return of this Warrant to the Select men by the Day appointed for Sd. Meeting.

Per Order of the Selectmen
James Parker Town Clerk

Southboro December 22nd. 1777, I have warned the Inhabitants Duly Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet as Directed in the foregoing Warrent.

Mark Collins Jur. Constable for Southboro

Southboro December 22nd. 1777. The Town being met pursuant to the foregoing Warrent proceeded to Act. Viz:

First Choose Lt. William Collins, Moderator for Said Meeting.
The Second Article passed in the Negative.

On the 3rd. Article' Voted that the Assessors shall go Round & take the Invoice for this Year and that in Consequence thereof the Town will make them Suitable Recompence for their Service in So doing.

The 4th Article passed over Then voted to dissolve the meeting.

Attest Wm. Collins, Moderator

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Samuel Newton & Mark Collins Jur. Constables for Southboro.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith in the name of the Govt. of the State of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro, in your respective districts qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the meeting house in Said Town on Friday the 9th Currt. at 11 o'clock A.M. to act on the following Articles. Viz;

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
Secondly For the town to assess themselves the whole or any part of their quota of the paper Currency agreeable to a late act of the G. Court For that purpose or act thereon as they shall think fit.
Thirdly For ye town to hear the Articles of Consideration made by the Congress & give their Representative such instructions relative to the Same as they shall think fit.
Fourthly For the Town to Raise the price of wood for the revd. Nathan Stone, or vote to pay the wood rate in Wood.
Fifthly To see if the Town will make those men who went to Worthington with stores for the Army any Consideration for their Services. Hereof, fail not, and make return of this Warrent to

the Selectmen by the Day appointed for Said Meeting. Dated at Southboro Jan 2. A.D. 1778

By order of the Select Men
James Parker Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. Southboro' Jan 9, 1778 We have warned the quallified voters in our respective Districts to meet at Time & place as directed in the forgoing Warrent. Samuel Newton, Elijah Brigham
Constables for Southboro

Southboro Jan 9. 1778 The Town met pursuant to the foregoing Warrent and proceeded to act. Viz:

First Choose Lt. Wm. Collins Moderator for Said Meeting.

The Second Article passed over for the present.

On the third Article' after reading the articles of Confederation-- Voted to chuse a Committee to take the same into consideration and report the next meeting accordingly Chose Lt. Brigham, Capt Newton, Lt Smith, Jonas Ball, Solomon Newton, Ezra Taylor, Abner Parker, John angeirs, Capt Fay Nathan Bridges Lt. Collins, James Parker, Majr. Champney.
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On Article 4th' Voted to raise the price of Wood for the Rev'd Nathan Stones Wood late to four Dollars per Cord for this Year Then voted not to act on the 5th Article. Then the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday next at 1 o'clock at this place.

Attest Wm. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Teusday 13 of Jan. 1778, The Town met pursuant to adjournment & proceeded to act Viz:

On Article 2nd.' The Town voted to tax themselves six hundred pounds to be assessed to the poles & Estates ratable in Southboro' for the purpose of lessning the public Debt, agreeable to an act of the G. Court, for that purpose.
Voted that Lt. Wm. Collins be agent to the Town to receive the aforesaid Six hundred pounds of the Constables, when collected and return it to the State Treasurer, receive a Note of him for the Said Sum and keep the Same in behalf of the Town.
Then the Committee on the articles of confederation reported & the Same was accepted by the Town. The report is as follows. Viz:

Southboro Jan 12, 1778. The Committee appointed to consider the Articles of Confederation have attended that Service & beg leave to report as follows:
That the Committee having deliberately considered the afore Said Articles are of the opinion that the powers therein Delegated to Congress ought to be confirmed to them by the assembly excepting the 3d. paragraph in the 6th Art. & the whole of the 8th Art. excepting the power therein left to the particular as-

semblies to lay & levy Taxes.

Wm. Collins per order
Then the Meeting was disolved

Attest Wm. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb. 16, 1778, having Examined the accounts of Jonas Hall Treasurer for Southborough, we find he has been Chargeable with one hundred Sixty five pounds thirteen Shillings one penny three farthings, and that he has produced proper vouchers Shewing that he has paid one hundred fourteen pounds, four shillings and five pence, and there now remains in Said Balls hands fifty two pounds Eighteen Shillings ten pence three farthings for which he is accountable to the Town Exclusive of the Assessment for the Year 1777.

Settlement with the Treasurer A.D. 1778)

William Collins) Selectmen
Seth Newton) for
Joshua Smith)
Elijah Brigham) Southboro

Worcester Ss. to Messrs Samuel Newton and Mark Collins Jur. Constables for Southboro or either of them.....Greeting: You are hereby required in the name of the Govt. & people of the State of Massachusetts Bay, forthwith to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro' quallified to Vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the meeting in Sd. Town on Monday the 2d. Day of March next at 12 o'clock at noon to act on the following Articles. Viz:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said meeting.
2. To Chuse town Officers for the Year Ensuing as the law Directs.
3. To Chuse Some persons to inspect the killing of Deer contrary to Law.
4. To Chuse Grave Diggers, a Pound Keeper, & some person to sweep the Meeting House & Lock and unlock the same.
5. To Agree upon and grant a Sum of money to repair High way in Said town.
6. To Agree upon and grant a Sum of money to pay a Schoolmaster and other Town Debts.
7. To Chuse a Committee to hire a School Master.
8. To Consider and allow all Town Debts to those to whom the Town is Justly indebted.
9. To Chuse a Committee to repair the Windows of the Meeting House.
10. To Chuse a Committee to Seat the Meeting House.
11. To See if the Town will procure any wood for the Widow Deliverance Salter and how much.

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12. For the Town to Chuse some Meet person for a Quoirester.
13. To See if the Town will give Liberty for such as are informing

themselves in the Rules of Musick to set in 2nd. and 3d. seats in the Front Gallery.

14. To See if the Town will Discontinue and Sell to the highest Bidder the Road leading from the Widow Salters to peter Brewers Gate and act thereon as they shall think fit.

15. To See if the Town will tax themselves the remaining part of their Quota toward lessening the publick Debt by calling in the paper currency agreeable to an act of the G. Court for that purpose.

16. To See if the town will let their Swine run at Large the Year Ensuing.

17. To See if the Town will confine their Rams from runing at large Such part of the Year as they shall think Fit. Here of, fail not, and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen by the Day appointed for Said meeting. Dated at Southboro' Feby 16. 1776

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker, Town Clerk.

Southboro' March 2nd. 1778. In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the quallified voters in Said Town by posting a copy thereof agreeable to a vote of the Said Town.

pr. me Mark Collins Jur.
Constable for Southboro.

Southboro March 2nd. 1778. The Town of Southboro' met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant and proceed to act. Viz:

First Chose Capt. Seth Newton Moderator

On Article 2nd.' Choose Lt. Wm. Collins)
Capt. Seth Newton)
Lt. Joshua Smith) Selectmen
Lt. Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor)

Town Clerk James Parker
Town Treasurer Jonas Ball

Constables Lemuel Newton, who refused to Serve and paid a fine of five pounds.
Jonathan Bellows
Ebn. Richards, and
John Richards was accepted in his Room the 11th Day.

Assessors, Asahel Moore
Lt. Joshua Smith excused the 16 Day
Solomon Newton
Jonas Ball Choose the 16th Day

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Surveyors of high ways and Collector of the money Granted to repair the Same
David Woods who refused to Serve & paid a fine of 20/
Joseph Witherbee
Elijah Johnson

Abel. Chamberlin
John Bellows, chosen in the Room of David Woods the 16 Day

Tything men Joseph Witherbee) Fence Viewers Simon Tozer
Major Champney) John Angier
Capt. Brigham)

Samuel Horne was chosen Field Driver the 19 Day.

Field Drivers Mark Collins Jur.) Hog Reeves Samll Horne
Nathan Fay) Jedadiah Parker
Joel Brewer
Amos Newton

Sealer of Leather John Angier

On Article 10th' Choose a Committee of five to Seat the Meeting House viz:
Asahel Mathews
Capt. Nathan Brigham
Moses Bruce
Abner Parker, &
Isaac Johnson

The 13th Article passed in the negative

Then adjourned the meeting to Monday next at 1 o'clock P.M. at this place.

Att. Seth Newton Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Monday March 9th 1778. The Town met according to adjournment and proceeded to act viz: The Town being informed that Seth Newton the Moderator of this meeting was unable to attend, they made Choice of Lt. William Collins for Moderator for the remaining Business of Said Meeting.

Chose Elijah Fay, and Daniel Johnson Deer Reeves

On the 3d. Article.' on the 19th Day Capt. Nathan Brigham was Chosen Deer Reef in the Room of Daniel Johnson

On Article 4th' Choose for Grave Diggers, Jonas Woods, Benja. Smith For a Pound Keeper, Abner Parker To Sweep the Meeting House and Lock and unlock the Same Choose Thomas Stone.

On Article 5th' Voted that the price of Labour at the high ways be 6/ pr. Day from the 10th of April to the 10th of Septr and the rest of the Year 4/ per Day, Oxen 3/ per Day and a Cart 1/6 pr. Day.

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L 90 to Repair Then granted L 90 to repair highways to be assessed to the poles

High-ways and Estates Ratable in Southborough.

L 150 to pay a School-Master & other Town Debts

On Article 6th ' Granted one hundred and fivety pounds to pay a School Master and other Town Debts to be assessed to the poles and Estates Ratable in Southborough. The Report of the Comtee for Seating the Meeting House was accepted

On the 7th Article ' Chose for a Committee to hire a School master-- Elijah Brigham, Ezra Taylor, Nathan Bridges.

Article 8 ' Granted to Asahel Moore..... L 6- 0-0
Granted Joseph Witherbee..... 2-10-6
Granted to Solomon Newton..... 5- 2-0
Granted to Benja Parker..... 4-17-0
Granted to Abner Parker..... 1-10-0

250 to pay for the Soldiers Cloathing

Then Granted two Hundred and fivety pounds to pay for the Cloathing for the Soldiers and the Extra Charges for the families of the Soldiers to be assessed to the poles and Estates ratable in Southborough at the next Assessment.

On Article 9th ' Chose for a Committee to repair the Windows of the Meeting House Capt. Nathan Brigham, Majr. Champney.

On the 11th Article ' Voted to procure five cord of wood for the wido. Deliverance Salter.

On the 14th & 15th Art.' Articles passed in the negative.

On Article 16 ' Voted the Swine Should run at large the year Ensuing.

The 17th Article passed in the negative.

Then voted to adjourn the meeting to Wednesday next at 2 o'clock P. M. at this place.

Att. William Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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Wednesday March 11th 1778. The Town met agreeable to adjournment and proceeded to act. Viz:

The Selectmen and Constable Chose David Newton Sealer of Weights & Measures. Then the Town voted to accept of John Richards to Serve as Constable in the Room of Ebenr. Richards upon condition that the Said John Richards Shall Serve as Constable for himself whenever the Town Shall think it to be his Turn.

Then Granted to Nathan Newton L 11-18 for Boarding Clothing Arba Amsden.
Then Voted to adjourn the meeting to Monday the 16th instant at 2 o'clock P.M. at this place.

Att. William Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Southborough March 16, 1770. The Town met according to adjournment and proceeded to act viz:
David Woods having paid a fine of 20/ for not Serving as Surveyor of High Ways, the Same to-gether with the fine Lemuel Newton paid for refusing to serve Constable was put into the Treasury, being Six pounds in ye Whole. Then Granted to Aaron Amsden 10/8 Granted to Jonas Ball one pound four Shillings for Serving as Treasurer the year past. Then Chose John Bellows Surveyor of highways and Collector of the money to repair the same in the Room of David Woods.
Then voted to excuse Lt. Smith from serving as an assessor Choose Jonas Ball in his Room.
Then adjourned the meeting to Thursday the 19 instant at 9 o'clock A.M. At this place.

Att. William Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

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Southboro March 19, 1778. The Town being again met according to adjournment proceeded to act viz:

Choose Capt. Brigham Deer Reef in the Room of Daniel Johnson.
Chose Samuel Horne Field Driver in the Room of Nathal Fay.
Then the Town Officers chosen at the foregoing Meetings (Joel Brewer, and Majr. Champney excepted) were Sworn to the faithful Discharge of their Respective offices.

Coram. Joseph Baker, Justice Pacis

Excepting also Elisha Johnson who was Sworn by Jona Ward Just. Pacis on the 9th Instant.
Then the meeting was by Vote Disolved.

Att. William Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk

To Messrs. Jotham Bellows and John Richards Constables for Southboro' or either of them.....Greeting:
You are hereby required in the Name of the Government of the State of Massachusetts Bay forthwith to warn all those that are free and twenty one years of age within your Respective Districts to assemble at the Meeting House in Sd. Town on Friday the 27 Currt. at 1 o'clock P.M. to Act on the following articles. Viz:

1. To chuse a Moderator for Said meeting.
2. For the Town to hear and consider a form of Government for the State of Massachusetts Bay to approve or Disapprove of the same or act thereon as they shall think fit when Met.

3. For the Town to hear and Consider a Letter from the Rev'd. Nathan Stone and grant him some addition to his Sallery or act thereon as they shall think fit when met.
4. For the Town to Chuse a committee to meet a Commettee from the Town of Westboro and Framingham in order to settle the town line.
5. To See if the Town will cut up the two hind seats Mens & Womens Side, below and make them into pews for the accomodation of the Singers or act thereon as they shall think fit.
6. For the town to lease the burying place the year ensuing.

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7. For the Town to hear and accept a List of Jurors to be laid before them. Hereof, fail not and make due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon to the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed for Said Meeting. Dated at Southboro this 20th Day of March a.d. 1778.

William Collins) Selectmen
Seth Newton)
Joshua Smith) For
Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor) Southboro'

Southboro' March 27, 1778. I have warned the Quallified Voters in my District as Directed in the foregoing Warrent.

per me John Richards
Constables for Southborough

Southborough March 24th 1778. I have warned all the East Side of the Town to meet as directed in the foregoing Warrant.

Jotham Bellows Constables for Southboro'

Southboro March 27th 1778. The Town met pursuant to the foregoing Warrent and proceeded to act as follows Viz:

First Choose Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator.

On Article 2nd.' The Form of Government for this State was read and the Town made choice of a Committee of Seven to Consider the same and Report the next Meeting Viz: Capt. Newton, Lt. Smith, James Parker, Lt. Brigham, Jonas Ball, Ezra Taylor, Solomon Newton.

On Article 3d.' Choose for a Committee to wait on Mr. Stone to know what addition to his Sallery will Satisfie him Viz: Capt. Bellows, Nathan Bridges, Lt. Collins, who after having waited on Mr. Stone, returned & Reported that L 35 would make him easie.

Thereupon the Town voted & Granted the Sum of L 35 in addition to what is already granted for his present Years Sallery to be assessed to the poles and Estates ratable in Southborough at the next assessment.

On Article 4. ' Chose for a Committee to meet a Committee from the Town of Westboro & Framingham to Settle the line from Stones corner, between sd. Towns & this Town. Viz: Nathan Bridges, Capt. Nathan Brigham, Ezra Taylor.

On Art. 5th ' Voted to cut up the two hind seats below, mens & Womens Side and make them into pews for the accomodation of the Singers, During the Towns pleasure. Then Choose for a Committee to See the Same be done. Capt. Brigham, Ezra Taylor, Isaac Johnson,

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Voted that the afore Said Committee See that four pews be made equal in height to the other adjoining pews.

On Article 6 ' Voted to let the Burying place to the highest Bidder, the occupant to keep up the fence, & mow the Brush, Nathan Bridges bid 25/ he being the highest Bidder.

On Article 7 ' accepted a List of Jurors and separated one fourth part for the Superior Box. Then voted to adjourn the meeting to the second Monday in May next at 1 o'clock P.M. at this place

Att. Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk.

Monday May 11th 1778. The Town met pursuent to adjournment & proceeded to act Viz:

The Report of the Committee on the form of Government being Read it was moved and Seconded to See if the Town would accept of the same: and it was accepted. The Substance of the Report of Said Committee was to Reject the whole for Reasons therein Given. The number voting for the Constitution was Eight The number against Said Constitution was fifty two. Then the Meeting was by Vote Disolved

Att. Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Jotham Bellows and John Richards Constables for Southboro' or either of them.....Greeting: You are hereby required in the Name of the Government of the State of Massachusetts Bay forethwith to warn all the free holders and other Inhabitants in your respective Districts, quallified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the meeting house in Sd. Town on Wednesday the 6th Instant at 3 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles Viz:

1. To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2. For the Town to hear & consider of Sundry orders sent to the militia officers of Said Town by the general Court of the State For Raising Recruits for the Continental army and act thereon as

they shall think fit when met.
3. To See if the Town will have the Town meetings for the Year ensuing warned by posting a Copy of the Warrent by the Constables, Hereof fail not and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon, to the Selectmen; by that Day appointed for Sd. Meeting. Dated at Southboro' this fourth day of May a.D. 1778.

Wm. Collins)Selectmen
Joshua Smith) for
Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor)Southboro'

May 6, 1778. I have warned the quallified Voters in my District to meet at the time and place Directed in the foregoing Warrent

Jotham Bellows
Constables at Southboro'

May 6, 1778. I have fully executed the foregoing Warrent.

John Richard Constable for Southboro'

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Southboro' May 6, 1778. The Town met pursuant to the foregoing Warrent and proceeded to act as follows, viz:

First Choose Lt. W. M. Collins moderator for Said meeting.
The 2nd Article passed for the present
The 3rd passed in the negative
Then voted to adjourn the meeting to Monday next at 3 o'clock P.M. at this place.

Att. Wm. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Monday May 11th 1778. The Town met according to adjournment, and proceeded to act viz:

On Article 2nd.' Voted that the militia officers be Directed to hire to Complete our quota for the Continental army.
Voted that said officers be Directed to promise the men that shall engage in the aforesaid Service Ten pounds per month in addition to their Continental pay.
Voted that Said officers promise Eight pounds per month to the four Men Destined to Peck Hill in addition to their Continental pay. Then Voted to adjourn the meeting to Monday the 18th instant at 4 o'clock P.M. at this place.

Att. William Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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May 18, 1778. The Town met according to adjournment and proceeded to act viz:

On the 2nd. Article' Choose a Committee of three to assist the the Officers in hiring the Continental men Viz:
Majr. Champney who was excused

David Johnson, Nathan Bridges, Jonas Ball.

Voted that the additional Wages granted at the last Meeting to such as shall engage in the continental Service be considered as a Bounty and to continue only while they are in Service. Then the meeting was by Vote Disolved.

Att. Wm. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Jothan Bellows & John Richards Constables for Southboro or either of them.....Greeting: You are hereby required in the name of the Govt. of the State of Massachusetts Bay, forthwith to warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants in your respective Districts quallified by Law to vote for a Representative to assemble at the Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 18th Day of May instant at 3 o'clock P.M. to act on the following arts.

Viz: First to Chuse a Representative to serve in the Great and General Court of this state the year ensuing, and act thereon as the Town shall think fit.
2. To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining Business of Said Meeting.
3. For the Town to order that the singers Should occupy the Pew lately built for their use or Dispose of them by Sale or act thereon as they shall think fit.
4. For the Town to allow Town Debts to those to whom the Town is justly indebted.
5. For the Town to abate the Rates of Gideon Newton Jur. as Set in Constable Brighams, list of assessments for the year 1776.

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6. To See if the Town will in the low state of our Revd. Pastor, hire preaching or act thereon as they Shall think fit. Here of fail not and make return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or before the Day appointed for Said Meeting. Dated at Southborough this 8th Day of May a.d. 1778.

Wm. Collins) Selectmen
Joshua Smith) For
Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor) Southboro'

Southboro May 18th: 1778. I have warned the quallified Voters in my District as Directed in the foregoing Warrent.

Jotham Bellows Constable for Southboro'

May 18, 1778. I have fully executed the foregoing Warrent.

John Richards Constable for Southboro'

May 18, 1778. The Town met pursuant to the foregoing Warrant and proceeded to act viz.

First voted to send a representative. Then the town made Choice of three persons Successively who all refused the Trust. Then the Town voted to reconsider their former vote for Sending a Representative. Then the Town made choice of Majr. Jona Champney for Moderator for Said meeting.

On Article 3d.' Granted to the Committee for making 4 Pews in the Meeting House L. 37-8-3 also Granted to Wm. Collins for Sundries as set forth in his acct. L. 1-14-0.

On Article 4th' Voted that the Singers Shall have the four pews lately built to Set in During the Towns pleasure. Then Chose a Committee to Significe and Seat Said Pews namely, Jonas Ball, James Parker, Elijah Bellows.

On Article 5th' Voted to abate the Rates of Gideon Newton Jur. as Set in Constable Brighams List a.d. 1776.

The 6th art passed in the negative.

Then Voted to Disolve the meeting.

Att. Jona Champney Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Jotham Bellows and John Richards Constables for Southborough or eith of them.....Greetings: You are hereby required in the Name of the Government & People of the State of Massachusetts Bay, forthwith to warn all the Freeholders other Inhabitants quallified to vote in town affairs, in your respective Districts to meet at the meeting House in Southborough on Monday the 8th of June Currt. at 4 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:

First to Chuse a moderator for Said meeting
Secondly For the Town to bring in their Votes for a County Treasurer.
Thirdly For the Town to impower the Militia officers and committee lately chosen to hire men into the Continental army to borrow money on the Credit of the Town and Give them Such further Instructions as they Shall See fit. Here of fail not and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon by the Day appointed for Said meeting. Dated at Southboro This 5th Day of June a.D. 1778.

Joshua Smith) Select men
Elijah Brigham) for
Ezra Taylor) Southboro'

June 8, 1778. I have fully executed the foregoing Warrent.

John Richards, Constable for Southboro'

June 8th, 1778. I have warned my District to meet at Time & place

as Directed in the foregoing Warrent.

Jotham Bellows Constable for Southboro'

June 8, 1778. The Town met pursuent to the foregoing Warrant and proceeded to act as follows viz:

First Chuse Majr. Jona. Champney moderator.
Then the Votes for a County Treasurer being called for & brought in there were thirty four for Nathan Perry.

On Article 3d.' Voted that the militia officers and Committee lately chosen to assist them in hiring men into the continental Service should borrow Sufficient sums of money on the Credit of the Town to hire two men to compleat our Quota of the Continental army agreeable to a Resolve of the General court.

Then voted to Disolve the meeting.

Att Jona Champney, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk

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To Messrs. Jotham Bellows & John Richards Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
In the name of the people & government of the State of Massachusetts Bay you are hereby forthwith required to warn all the freeholders and other Inhavitants of the Town of Southboro' quallified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the meeting House in Said Town on Wednesday the 2nd Day of Septr. next at 1 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Sd. Meeting.
Secondly to Grant the Revd. Nathan Stone his Sallery for his Service in the Ministry the present year ending June 8th A.D. 1779.
Thirdly To allow all Town Debts to those to whom the Town is justly indebted and grant money to pay the same.
Fourthly, For the Town to abate the Rates of Nicholas Hopping in a List of Assessment committed to Mark Collins Jur. a.d. 1777, and also to abate the Rate Set to Jonas Amsden in Constable Bellows Rates for the present year. Here of fail not and make return of this Warrent to the Selectmen by the Time appointed for Said Meeting. Dated at Southboro' this 13th Day of Augt. a.d. 1778.

Wm. Collins) Selectmen
Seth Newton)
Joshua Smith) for
Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor) Southboro'

Sepr. 2nd, 1778. I have fully executed the foregoing Warrent.

John Richards, Constable for Southboro'

Sept. 2, 1778. I have warned the quallified Voters in my District to assemble the foregoing Warrent as Directed.

Jotham Bellows, Constable

Sept. 2, 1778. The Town met pursuent to the foregoing Warrent and proceeded to act viz.

First choose Lt. Wm. Collins Moderator

On Article 2nd. June 8th 1779 | Granted one hundred and twenty pounds to the Rev'd Nathan Stone for his present years Sallery ending to be assessed to the poles and estates ratable in Southborough.

On Article 3d. | Granted the Selectmen for necessaries for the Soldiers..... 70- 7-4
Granted Joshua Smith and others for the hire of Soldiers.....500- 0-0
Granted Wm. Collins and others..... 11-13-0
Granted Nathan Bridges & others..... 13- 7-8
Granted Joshua Smith..... 8-16-0
Granted Daniel Johnson..... 3- 3-0

Then Granted Six hundred fivety three pounds Seventeen Shillings to pay Town Debts to be assessed to the poles and Estates ratable in Southboro.

On Article 4th | Abated the Rates of Nicholas Hopping in Constable Collins Rates A.D. 1777.
Then Voted to disolve the meeting.

W. M. Collins Moderator
Recorded by James Parker Town Clerk

To Messrs Jotham Bellows & John Richards Constables for Southborough..... Greetings: You are hereby required in the name of the Govt. and people of the state of Massachusetts Bay forthwith to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough in your Respective Districts quallified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Meeting House in Sd. Town on Monday the 21 day of December at 1 o'clock P.M. to act on the Following Articles Viz:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.

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2. For the Town to hear the Request of the Revd. Nathan Stone relative to his Sallery & wood and for the Town to act there on as they shall think fit when met.
3. For the Town to determine what they will do relative to repaying the Towns of Westboro & Grafton the Bounty they gave Nathn. Champney & Samuel Dunton.
4. For the town to abate the Rates Set to Nicholas Hopping in John Richards List a.d. 1778.
5. For the Town to abate the Rates of Walter How as set to Majr. Champney to John Richards list a.d. 1778.
6. For the Town to hear what Peter Brewer has to say relative to settling the line from Stones corner to Sudbury river So called.
7. For the town to allow the accounts of the Committee raised

by the Town to mend the meeting House windows. Here of fail not and make return of this Warrent to the Selectmen at or before the Day appointed. Dated at Southboro' the 30th Day of Nov. a.d. 1778.

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker Town Clerk

December 21, 1778. I have warned all in my District to meet at time and place as this Warrent Directs.

Jotham Bellows Const. for Southboro'

December 19, 1778. I have fully executed the foregoing Warrent.

John Richards Const. for Southboro'

December 21, 1778. The Town of Southboro met pursuent to the foregoing Warrent and proceeded to act viz:

First chuse Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator.

On the 2nd Article ' Choose a committee of five to confer with the Rev'd. Nathan Stone relative to his Sallery & Wood viz: Lt. Wm. Collins, Peter Brewer, James Parker, Jonas Ball, Majr. Champney. After the afore Said committee had waited on Mr. Stone & returned they reported that Mr. Stone would be content with L 300 lbs.
Then the town voted & granted one hundred and eighty pounds to Mr. Nathan Stone in addition to his present years

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years Sallery Ending June 8th a.d. 1779 to be assessed to the poles & Estates ratable in Southboro.

On the 3d. Article ' The Matter of Nathan Champney and Levi Dunton passed in the negative.

The 4th art was passed over.

The 5th art passed in the Negative, The 6th article passed over.

The 7th article passed over.
Then voted to dissolve the meeting.

Att. Elijah Brigham, Moderator
Recorded by James Parker, Town Clerk.

At a meeting of the Select men of Southboro, Feby 10th 1779. having examined the accounts of Jonas Ball Treasurer for Southborough, we find he has been chargeable with twelve hundred forty Eight pounds nineteen Shillings, Six pence, three farthings, and that he has produced proper Vouchers shewing that he has paid twelve hundred twenty Seven, one Shilling one Penney two farthings and there remains in Said Balls Hands, twenty one pounds Eighteen Shillings, five pence one farthing, for which he is accountable to the Town, exclusive of the Grant of three hundred pounds for the Rev. Mr. Stones Sallery a.d. 1778 and one hundred and fifty

pounds Granted to pay Town Debts Granted in the same year.

Seth Newton) Selectmen
Joshua Smith) for
Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor) Southborough

N.B. the foregoing Settlement with the Treasurer being found Erroneous, it was revised and the following made in its Room.

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At a Meeting of the Select men of Southborough Feby 16, 1779. Having Examined the accts of Jonas Ball Treasurer for Southborough, we find he has been chargeable with thirteen hundred forty four pounds thirteen shillings two pence three farthings, and that he has produced Vouchers to the amount of twelve hundred & ten pounds, Seven shillings one penney two farthings, and there now remains in Said Treasurers hands one hundred thirty pounds, Six shillings, one peny, one farthing for which he is accountable to the Town Exclusive of the assessments of L. 300 for the Revd. Mr. Stones Sallery & L 150 to pay Town Debts granted A.D. 1778.

Seth Newton) Selectmen
Joshua Smith) for
Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor) Southboro

To Messrs. Jotham Bellows & John Richards Constables for Southborough or either of them.....Greeting: You are required in the name of the Government and people of Massachusetts Bay, forthwith to warn all the Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the Town of Southboro' quallified to Vote in town affairs to assemble at the meeting house in Sd. town on Monday the first Day of March next att. 12: o'clock att noon to act on the following articles Viz:

First to choose a Moderator for Said Meeting.
2. To chuse Town officers for the year Ensuing as the law directs.
3. To chuse some persons to inspect the killing of Deer Contrary to law.
4. To chuse Grave Diggers, a Pound keeper, and Some person to Sweep, lock and unlock the Meeting house.
5. To agree upon and Grant a Sum of Money to Repair Highways in Said Town.
6. To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to pay a school master & other Town Debts.
7. To consider and allow all Town Debts to those to whom the town is justly indebted.
8. To chuse a Committee to hire a School master for the year Ensuing.
9. To chuse a Committee to Squadron out the School.
10. For the Town to call to account the committee which Settled the line from Stones Corner to Sudbury River and act further upon the same as the Town shall think fit.

11. For the Town to abate the Rates Set to David Dunton in John Richard's list of assessments a.d. 1778.
12. To See if the Town will abate the Rates Set to James Dix in Jotham Bellows list of assessment, a.d. 1778 and also the Rates Set to. Simeon Harry in John Richards list a.d. 1778.
13. To See if the Town will Grant to the proprietors of the Pew in the front gallery the hind Seat mens & womens Side of Said Gallery to Enlarge Sd. Pew the obliging themselves to fill & keep the same full.
14. To see if the Town will make Sale of the Pews that the singers now occupy or chuse a Committee to Seat the Same or act thereon as they shall think fit.
15. For the Town to Chuse a Committee to Set out a certain number of Shading Trees near the meeting House.
16. To See if the town will let the Swine run at large the year Ensuing.
17. To See if the Town will Vote to Sing in Publick Devotions on the Sabbath Late & Broadges versions of the Psalms together with Doc. Watts Hymns and act thereon as they shall think fit.
18. For the Town to let the Burying Place the year Ensuing.
19. To See if the Town will purchase a number of Tickets in the States Lottery at the Risque of the Town.

Here of, fail not and make Return of this Warrant to the Selectmen att or before the Day appointed for Sd. Meeting. Dated at Southborough the 10th Day of Feby. a.d. 1779.

By order of the Selectmen
James Parker, Town Clerk

March 1, 1779. I have executed the foregoing Warrent by Posting a copy of the Same according to a vote of the Town.

John Richards) Constable for Southborough

Southboro' March 1 1779. The Town met Pursuent to the foregoing Warrent and proceeded to act as follows viz:

First chose Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator

On the 2nd. Article'	Majr. Jona Champney)	For
	Capt. Elijah Bellows)	
	Nathan Bridges)	Select-
	Jonas Ball)	
	Asahel Moore)	men

Town clerk, Lt. Joshua Smith
Town Treasurer, Jonas Ball
Constables Ezra Newton
Excused the Majr. Jona Champney
Solomon Newton
Assessors Lt. Joshua Smith Excused by Vote
Ezra Taylor
Jonas Ball

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Tything Men James Bellows

Lt. Wm. Onthank
Capt. Nathan Brigham

Field Drivers Joseph Tuttle
Heman Fay

Surveyors of highway & collector of the money to Repair the Same. (Samll. Horne
(Amos Newton Jr.
(Aaron Fay
(Nathll. Fay

Sealer of Leather
John Angier

Fence Veiwers
Joseph Onthank
Joah Newton

Hog Reeves
Jona Ball
Joel Brewer
Ephraim Amsden
Elijah Johnson

On the 3d. art. Chose Elijah Fay, Zaccheus Witherbee

On the 4th Article ' Chose Jonas Woods) Grave Diggers
' Benja Smith)

a Pound keeper
Lt. Joshua Smith

(To Sweep Lock & unlock the
(Meeting House, Chose
(Thomas Stone

Then Voted to adjourn the meeting to Thursday next att one o'clock P.M. at this place.

Att. Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith, Town Clerk

Thursday March 4th 1779. The Town being met pursuant to the adjournment and proceeded to act viz:

On the 5th Article ' Voted that the price of Labor at the highways for this year be 24/ per day from the 10th of Sepr. & the rest of the year 18/ per day.
Then Granted the Sum of £.400 to repair highways in this Town to be Assessed to the Poles & Estates Ratable in Southborough.

On the 6th Article ' Granted the Sum of £.400 to pay a school master & other Town Debts to be assessed to the Poles & Estates Ratable in Southborough.

On the 7th Article ' Granted Nathan Brigham Jur. & Jona Champney L. 7- 4-0
' Granted Benja. Parker..... 0-18-0
' Granted the Selectmen..... 51-16-4½
' Granted Jonas Ball..... 29- 5-0

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Granted Solomon Newton..... 17-12-0
Granted Asahel Moore..... 27- 3-9
Granted Joshua Smith..... 2- 5-0
Granted Thomas Stone..... 4-10-0

Then the meeting was adjourned to Monday next at one o'clock P.M. to meet at this place.

Att. Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

March 8th 1779, the Town met pursuant to adjournment and proceeded to act as follows viz:

On the 7. Article	Granted Robert Fay.....	L. 8- 5-0
	Granted Nathan Newton.....	15-12-0
On the 8th Art.	Chose for a Committee to hire a School-master Nathan Bridges Mark Collins & Capt. Nathan Brigham.	
On the 9th Art.	Chose for a committee to Squadron outt the school. Solomon Newton Capt. Brigham Magr. Champney, Nathan Bridges & David Newton	
On the 10th Art.	This art passed in the negative	
On the 11th Art.	Abated the rates of David Dunton in John Richards list A.D. 1778 being three pounds nine shillings & two pence.....	3- 9-2
On the 12th Art.	the matter of James Dix passed in the Negative abated the Rates of Simeon Harry in John Richards List. a.d. 1778 being three Pound nineteen shilling.....	3-19
On Art. 13th	Granted to the proprietors of the Front Pew the hind Seats mens & womens Side they obliging thems lves to fill & keep the same full	
On the 14th Art.	Voted not to Sell the Pews the Singers now occupy. Voted to chuse a Committee to Seat Sd. Pews. Chose James Parker, Nathan Bridges Jt. Smith, Jotham Bellows & Abner Parker.	

Excused Majr. Champney from Serving as Constable

On the 2d. Art.	and accepted Richard Barnes to Serve in his room, he the Majr. being answerable to the Town for the Assessment that shall be committed to Sd. Barnes as Constable to Collect.

Then Excused Majr. Champney from Serving as Selectmen
Then Voted to excuse Capt. Bellows from Serving Selectmen.
Then Chose Lt. Wm. Onthank Selectmen
Then Voted to add two to the five to Serve as Selectmen the year Ensuing.
Then Voted to Excuse Nathan Bridges from Serving Selectmen.
Then chose Mark Collins, Lt. Fay, Capt. Brigham and Ezra Newton Selectmen

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Then upon Motion made & Seconded. Voted to reconsider all & Every Vote for the Choice of Selectmen both att

this meeting and Monday last and proceed to a new choice of five Selectmen, and that the Selectmen shall be paid common Day wages for their Extraordinary Service the year Ensuing. Then Chose Capt. Seth Newton, Lt. Joshua Smith, Lt. Elijah Brigham, Ezra Taylor, & Jonas Ball for Selectmen.

Then Ezra Newton refused to Serve as Constable & paid a fine of.....L 15-0
Amos Newton Jur. Refused to Serve as highway surveyor and paid a fine of three Pounds..... 3-0
Then Chose Simon Tozer Surveyor of Highways.

At this meeting Ezekiel Collins was accepted to serve as a highway Surveyor in the Room of Nathan Fay.
Att the Same meeting the Town Voted their thanks to Lt. Willm. Collins for his past good Service for & in behalf of the Town.

On the 15th Art. ' Voted to chuse a Committee to Set out a Number of Shading Trees near the Meeting House accordingly chose Robert Fay, Nathan Bridges Nathan Brigham, Capt. Bellows, Lt. Smith.

On 16th Art. ' Voted the Swine Should run at Large the Year Ensuing.

On 17th Art. ' Voted to Sing in Publick Devotion on the Sabbath Late & Bradges version of the Psalms together with Docr. Watts Hymns.

On 18th Art. ' Voted to lease the Burying place the year Ensuing to the highest bidder. Jonas Ball bid 56/ being the highest Sum. Then Excused Simon Tozer from Serving as Surveyor of Highways and chose Reuben Fay in his room. Ezra Newton took back the fine he paid at the last meeting for not serving as constable & hired Asahel Moore to serve in his room of whom the Town accepted.

On the 18th Art. ' this art passed in the negative.
Then voted to Excuse Joseph Onthank from Serving as fence veiwer & Chose Simon Tozer to serve in his room.
Voted to Excuse Reuben Fay from serving as Surveyor of Highways and Chose Elijah Newton in his room.
Voted that the Selectmen shall Transfer the Town books and papers from James Parker to Lt. Joshua Smith.

The Selectmen with a Constable appointed David Newton Sealer of Weights & Measures who accepted and was Sworn accordingly.

Joshua Smith	John Angier	Ezekiel Collins
Asahel Moore	Richard Barnes	Zacch. Witherbee
Joseph Tuttle	Joel Brewer	James Bellows
Jcah Newton		Peman Fay

Before Jona Ward Just. Paice

Solomon Newton Jonas Ball, Ezra Taylor, Samuel Horne, Jonas Ball, Simon Towzer, Wm. Onthank and Nathan Brigham Jur.
The above Town officers were Sworn by Ezra Whitney, Just. Paice.

Then Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith, Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Asahel More or Richard Barnes or either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greetings: You are hereby forthwith required in the Name of the Government & People of Massachusetts Bay to warn all Freeholders and other Inhabitants in your respective Districts Quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Meeting House in Southboro on Friday the 16th of this Instant April att two o'clock P.M. to act on the following Articles Viz:

first to Chuse a Moderator for Sd. Meeting.
2ly as the Genl assembly of this State have laid a fine of Six Hundred Pound the Town of Southborough for the Town to chuse Some Agent or Agents with such instructions as the Town see fit to give them to go to the Genl Assembly to See What the fine is Laid on us for and Endeavor to get the Same taken off or Pass any Vote or Votes Relative to the Same.
3ly For the Town to Chuse a committee for to Provide for the families of the Soldiers in the Continental Army or pass any Vote or Votes Relative to the Same as they think fit when met.
Here of fail not and make due return of this Warrant to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for sd. Meeting.

Seth Newton) Selectmen
Joshua Smith)
Elijah Brigham) for
Ezra Taylor)
Jonas Ball) Southboro'

Dated att Southborough this 12th Day of April 1779.

Worcester Ss. April 16, 1779.
In Obedience to this Warrant I have Executed the Same as is within Directed.

Asahel More Constable for Southborough

Worcester Ss. April 16, 1779
I have warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants as within Directed to appear att time and place within mentioned.

Richard Barns, Constable for Southboro'

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Southborough April 16th 1779.
The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to act as followeth viz.

First Chose Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator

On ' Voted to act on sd. article
Art. 2 ' Voted to chuse an Agent by hand vote
Then Chose Docr. James Parker Agent for the Town
Then Chose Capt Seth Newton another Agent
Voted that Docr. James Parker & Capt Seth Newton Agents for the Town of Southborough or Either of them have full Power to act for & in behalf of the Town to carry their Agency to final issue either by Petitioning the Genl. Assembly for taking of Sd. fine of Six Hundred Pound Set in the last Tax Bill or any other way they may find necessary.

On ' Voted to act on the Article.
Art 3d ' Voted to chuse a Committee of Three for Committee
chose David Woods excused by vote.

Asahel Mathews
William Onthank
Peter Brewer

Then voted to Disolve the Meeting.

Att. Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. To Messrs. Asahel More & John Richards--Constables for Southborough.....Greetings:
In the name of the Government and People of the State of Massachusetts Bay you are Required forthwith to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants within your Respective Districts quallified to vote in Sd. Town on Thursday the Twentieth Day of May Currant att one of the clock P.M. to act on the following Articles viz:

First to chuse some Person to Represent them in the great and Gen'l Court to be held at Boston on the last Wednesday of May Current or act thereon as they think fit when met.
2ly To Chuse a Moderator for the remaining work of the meeting.
3ly Whether they choose att this time to have a new constitution or form of Government made.
4ly Whether they will Impower their Representative for the next year to Vote for Calling a State Convention for the Sole purpose of Forming a new Constatution.
5ly For the Town to Determine by Vote whether they will repay the Town of Crafton the Bounty they gave Levi Dunton or act thereon as they think fit when met.
6ly To hear & allow the accounts of the Agents chosen by the Town to get the fine taken of laid on them by the Genl. Assembly

Hereof, fail not, and make Return of this Warrant and your doing thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the time appointed for Sd. meeting.
Given under our hands att Southborough the 13 day of May A.D. 1779

Seth Newton) Selectmen
Elijah Brigham) for
Ezra Taylor)
Jonas Ball) Southboro

Worcester Ss. May 20th 1779.
In Obediance to this Warrant I have fully Executed the Same as within Directed.

Asahel More Constable for Southboro'

Worcester Ss. Southboro May 20th 1779.
In Obediance to the Warrent I have warned all the freeholders & other Inhabitants quallified to Vote for a Representative to meet att time & place as directed in this Warrant.

Richard Barnes Constable for Southboro'

Southborough May 20th 1779. The Town being meet agreeable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

On Art. 1st. ' Voted to Send a Representative the year Ensuing
Then make chose of Capt. Seth Newton for there Representative
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On Art. 2 ' Chose Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 3 ' Seventy one Voters being present Voted unanimously for a new Constitution of Covernment

On Art. 4 ' Voted to give Instructions to the Representative to call a State Convention for the Sole purpose of forming a new constitution.
Then voted to chuse a Committee to draw Instructions for the Representative
Voted Sd. Committee consist of Three for Committee --chose Nathan Bridges Docr. James Parker, Joshua Smith

On Art. 5th' Voted to Repay the Town of Grafton the bounty they gave Levi Dunton.

On Art. 6th' Voted to Seth Newton & James Parker Agents for the Town .....L 50-15-0
Then Voted to adjourn the meeting till Monday next att 6 o'clock P.M.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town clerk

Southboro May 24th 1779. The Town being met according to adjourment proceeded to act viz:

the above Committee laid the following Instructions before the Town To Capt. Seth Newton:--

Sir We your Constituents confiding in your Wisdom & Integrity have chosen you to represent us in the Gen'l Court the year En-

suing and as we are directed, by sd. Court to determine whether we Chuse, att this time to have a new form of Government which we have Answered in the affirmative & Also whether we will impower our Representative to call a State convention for the purpose aforesaid We by leave to lay before you the following Instruction as the rule of your Conduct in the aforesd. matters. That you Vote to call a State convention upon the following Conditions.

First that no Members of the Council or house shall be a member of sd. convention.
2ly. That the members of Each County shall Seperately chuse a certain number of their own county in proportion to the Inhabitants and Extent of Sd. County.

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3ly. That the convention when formed Shall proceed the new form of Government by a Declaration or Bill of Rights Exhibiting the Liberties of the Governed & the power of Rulers.
4ly. That the house of Representatives Shall Recommend to Sd. Convention that they adopt our former Constitution so far as shall be Consistant with our State of Independence as they in their wisdom shall think fit, and also that the convention Set in Some Inland county as may best accomodate the whole
The above Instructions being read Several Times, The Town Unanimously Voted them to Capt. Seth Newton Representative the year Ensuing.
Then Voted to Dissolve the meeting.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss.

To Messrs Asahel More & Richard Barnes or either of them-Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Requird in the Name of the Government and People of the State of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants in your Respective District quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to Assemble att the meeting house in Southborough on Friday the 2d of July next att 3 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:

First to chuse a Moderator for Sd. meeting.
2ly for the Town to here the Petition of Samuel Hudson & pass any vote or votes upon the same as they think fit when meet.
3ly. For the town to agree upon & grant a Sum of money to pay town debts to whom the Town is justly indebted.
4ly. as a dispute has arise about the Rode & Town line from Joshua Newtons Bridge so called to the farm line for the Town to chuse a committee to meet a committee from Marlborough to Settle the same and make Proper Monuments to Sd. lines & Establish the Rode and pass any vote or votes Relative to the Same.
5ly. as the Gen'l Assembly of this State have called upon the Militia officers of this town for four Continental men when they

suppose we have got our full Quota & Six over whereby Sd. officers become Finable in large Fines for the Town to Indemnifie sd. Officers in not raising the men or pass any vote or votes Relative to the Same.
6ly. For the Town to Chuse a committee to act in conjunction with the Assessors in revising & amending the last Invoice or Valuation or pass any Vote or Votes Relative to the Same.

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7ly. For the Town to abate the rates Set to Charles Bellows in a list of Assessment committed to Asahel More A.D. 1779. Also the Rates Set to Samuel Phillips in a List of Assessment committed to Richard Barnes a.d. 1779.

Hereof, fail not, and make due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon att or before the time appointed for Said Meeting. Dated att Southborough this 29th Day of June a.d. 1779.

by order of the Select men Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. Southboro July 2nd. 1779. In Obedience to this Warrant I have warned the quallified Voters in my District the same as within Directed.

Richard Barnes Constable for Southboro

In Obedience to this Warrant July 2, 1779 I have warned the qualified Voters belonging to my District as is within Directed

Asahel More Constable for Southboro'

Southboro July 2nd. 1779. The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as follows viz.

1st. Chose Capt. Seth Newton Moderator

On Art. 2nd.' Voted to Chuse a committee of three persons to take care of Saml. Hudson & to go to Capt. More, his wife, father to See what he would do for the Support of them & provide for them att present according to their Diversions.
for Committee Chose:-

Isaac Johnson
Absalom Ward
Dean John Fay

Voted that Sd. Committee be impowered to move Sd. Hudson to the work house if they think best.
Voted to pass over the 3 article for the present.

On Art. 4th ' Voted to chuse a committee of three persons to meet a Comtee, from Marlboro to Settle the Line from Joshua Newtons Bridge so called to the farm line & make Proper monuments and Establish the Rode and make Return to the Town what Land may be sold.

for Committee Chose (Joshua Smith
(Jonas Ball
(Nathan Bridges

On Art. 5th ' Voted to Indemnifie the Officers in not Raising the men now Required by the Genl. Court.

On Art. 6th ' Voted to chuse a Committee sd. Committee to consist of three. Voted to Reconsider the Votes for chosing a committee. Voted that the Assessors rectifie the Invoice & where persons were Over Rated they give Orders on the Treasurer for the same.

On the 7th Art. ' Voted to abate the Rates of Charles Bellows in Asahel Mores List L 3-17-1 The Rates of Saml. Phillips passed in the negative. Then voted to dissolve the meeting.

Seth Newton Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss. To Messrs Asahel More or Richard Barnes or either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting: You are hereby forthwith Required in the name of the Government & people of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants in your Respective Districts qualified by Law to Vote for a Representative to assemble att the meeting house in Southborough on Monday the 2d. day of Augt. next att 3 o'clock P.M. to act on the following Articles viz:

First to chose a Moderator for Said Meeting.

2ly. For the Town to hear the Proceedings of the State Convention which meet att Concord by July 14th for the Town to approve or disapprove of the Same & for the Town to chuse some person or persons to meet a state convention again in Octr. or pass any vote or votes Relative to the same.
3ly. For the Town to chuse a delegate or delegates to Set in a State Convention for the sole purpose of forming a new Constitution or form of Government, or pass any Vote or Votes Relative to the same.
4ly. For the Town to hear the Report of the Committee for Settling the Town Line & Settling the high way from Joshua Newton Bridge so called to the Farm Line & Except of the Same or act thereon as they think fit. Here of, fail not, & make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding sd. meeting. Dated att Southborough this 27 day of July 1779

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. Augt. 2d. 1779
The within warrant hath been fully Executed by me.

Asahel More Constable for Southboro'

Worcester Ss. Augt. 2d. 1779
In Obediance I have warn'd all the Freeholders & other inhabitants in my district quallified by law to Vote for a Representative to meet at time and place as directed within this Warrant.

Richard Barnes Constable for Southboro'

Southborough Augt 2d. 1779, the Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as followeth viz.

First chose Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator

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On Art. 2nd. ' Voted to and Excepted of what the convention had done by a large majority of Vote
Then Voted to chuse member for the next convention by written vote.
Then chose Joshua Smith

On Art. 3d. ' passed over by Ellegallity in the Warrant.

On Art. 3d. ' passed in the negative
then Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith, Town Clerk

Worcester Ss. To Messrs Asahel More & Richard Barnes or Either of them--Constables for Southboro'.....Greetings: You are hereby forthwith Required in the name of the Government & people of Massachusetts Bay to warn all that are Free & Twenty one years of Age in your Respective Districts to assemble at the Meeting house in Southborough on Tuesday the 7th Current att 5 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:

First to chuse a Moderator for Sd. Meeting.

2ly For the Town to chuse some person or persons as Delegates to meet in a State Convention to meet att Cambridge the first Day of Sepr. next for the Sole purpose of forming a new constitution or form of Government.
here of fail not & make return of this Warrant with your doings theron to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding Said meeting. Dated at Southborough this 2d. day of Augt. a.d. 1779.

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith T. Clerk

Worcester Ss. Augt. 17th 1779.
This Warrant hath been fully Executed by me as is within Directed.

Asahel More Constable for Southboro

Worcester Ss. Augt. 17th 1779.
In Obedience to the within Warrent I have warned all that are free and Twenty one years of age to meet att time and place as directed within this Warrant.

Richard Barnes Constable for Southboro'
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Southboro' Augt. 17th 1779

The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant Proceed to act as followeth viz:

First Chose Majr. Champney Moderator

On Art. 2d. ' Voted to send one delagate to the State convention.
' Then chose Docr. James Parker who Excused himself.
Then the Votes were called for again and Docr. James Parker was Chosen & Excepted.
Then Voted to dissolve the meeting.

Attest Jona Champney Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss.
To Messrs. Asahel More & Richard Barnes or Either of them--
Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required in the name of the Government and People of the Massachusetts Bay to warn all Freeholders & Other Inhabitants, in your Respective Districts Quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to meet att the meeting house in Southborough on Wednesday the 8th of Sepr. next att 2 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:

First to chuse a Moderator for Sd. meeting

2ly. For the Town to agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to the Revd. Nathan Stone for his Present Years Salary Ending June the 8th a.d. 1780.
3ly. For the town to agree upon & Grant a sum of money to pay Town Debts to whom they are Justly Indebted.
4ly. For the town to hear the Report of the Committee for Settling the Town Line & highways from Joshua Newtons Bridge So called and Except of the Same and make Sale of any Land that may Remain, or grant to the Wido Mary Newton so much as they think fit for any land laid out of hers in Sd. way or pass any Vote or Votes concerning the Same as they may think fit when met.
5ly. For the Town to chuse Some Person to mend the Front door of the meeting house.
6ly. For the Town to hear the Proceeding of the County Convention & Except of the Same and chuse a committee to Inforce the Same, or make any alterations as to prices or pass any Vote or Votes Relative to the Same as they may think fit when meet.

7ly. To See if the town will Grant any wood to the Wido Deliverance Salter & how much and appoint some person to procure the Same for her.
8ly. For the Town to grant a Sum of money to repair the county Rode, or act theron as they think fit when met.

Hereof fail not, & make due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time for holding Sd. meeting. Dated at Southborough this 24 day of Augt. a.d. 1779.

By order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith, Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. Sept. 29th 1779.
Agreeable to this Warrant I have warned the Quallified Voters belonging to my Destrict to appear att time and place as is within Specified.

Asahel More Constable

Worcester Ss. Southborough Sept. 8th 1779.
I have fully Executed the within Warrant to me directed.

Richard Barnes Constable for Southborough

Southborough Sepr. the 8th 1779.
The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

First Chose Capt. Seth Newton Moderator.

On Art. 2 ' Voted to chuse a Committee of three to wait on the Revd. Nathan Stone Relative to his Salary.
Then chose Dean John Fay
Docr. James Parker Excused by Vote
Jonas Ball
Ezra Taylor
upon the Report of the Committee confering with Mr. Stone, Voted
L 450-0 L 450 To the Revd. Nathan Stone for his present years Salary Ending June the 8th a.d. 1780.

On Art 3 ' Voted Two Hundred Pound for Town Debts
L 200-0 '

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On Art 4 ' Voted to & Excepted of the Report of the committee.
' Voted to chuse a Committee of three persons to Ascertain what land is to dispose of and also what or how much will Satisfie the wido Newton for land laid out of hers Then Chose

Solomon Newton)
Joshua Smith) Committee
Nathan Bridges)

On Art. 5 ' Voted that Ezra Taylor See the front doors of the Meeting house be mened.

On Art. 6 ' Voted to & Excepted the Proceedings of the convention held att Worcester.
Voted to chuse a Committee of Thirteen persons to Inforce the Proceedings of Sd. Conventions.

Then Chose:-

Docr. James Parker)
Benja Mixer)
Majr. Jona Champney)
Jonas Ball)
Wm. . Onthank)
Joshua Smith)
Nathan Bridges) Committee
Lt. Asahel Mathew)
Lt. Asahel More)
Elijah Brigham)
Capt. Elijah Bellows)
Lt. Hezh. Fay)
Ezra Newton)

Then Voted that the Committee bee Impowered to Regulate and affix the Prices of Sundry Articles not Enumerated by the convention att Worcester.

On Art. 7 ' Voted to get five cord of Wood for the Wido Salter.
' Voted that Joshua Smith provide the same for her.

On Art. 8 ' Voted that all the Surveyors be directed to bring all there Squadrons out to the great Rode & give credit for what the work over there rates to the next year.
Then Voted to Dissolve the meeting.

Attest Seth Newton Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss.
To Messrs Asahel More & Richard Barnes or Either of them--
Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required in the name of the Government & People of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants in your Respective Districts quallified by Law to vote in Town affairs to Assemble at the Meeting house in Southboro' on Monday the 18th Day of this Instant Octr. att one o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:

First to chuse a Moderator for sd. meeting.

2ly. For the town to hear the Orders Sent from the Genl. Assembly of this State for raising Eight men from a Requisition of Genl. Washington and consider of the Same, and approve of what the Militia Officers have done in Raising the men and chuse some Persons as a Committee to borrow what money the men may need before they march and pay the Same to them taking Receipts for what they

pay.
3ly. For the Town to agree upon an adjournment of sd. meeting then to Grant any Sum that may be agreed upon for the payment of sd. men also to hear the Proceeding of the State convention held att Concord, Octr 6th and approve or disapprove of the Same and choose a committee to inforce the same, and to act on any matters that may come before the Town for their consideration and to pass any Vote or Votes upon the same or any other matters that may come under consideration.
4ly. For the Town to raise the Price of the Revd. Nathan Stones wood or act thereon as they may think fit, when met.

Here of, fail not, & make due return of this Warrant with your doings theron to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding Sd. meeting. Dated at Southboro' this 15th Day of Octr. a.d. 1779.

By order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith Town Clerk.

Worcester Ss. Oct 18, 1779
The Withen Warrant hath been executed by me.

Asahel More Constable for Southboro'

Worcester Ss. Oct. 18th 1779.
In Obediance I have fully Executed the Within warrant to me directed.

Richard Barnes Constable for Southborough
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Page 98 Southborough Octr the 18th 1779
The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

First Chose Docr. James Parker Moderator.

On Art. 2. ' Voted to & Excepted of what the Militia officers have done in hireing men.
Voted to Chuse a Committee
Voted the Committee consist of three to hire what money the Soldiers may need before they March taking Receipt for the Same.
for Committee Chose Majr. Jona Champney Excused by vote
Benja. Mixer Excused
Willm. Onthank
Nathan Bridges

Then Voted to Reconsider the Vote of having the Comte to consist of three & have but two in Sd. committee.
Then voted to add one to Sd. Commite chose Jonas Ball

On Art. 3 ' Voted to pass over for the present.

On Art. 4 ' Voted to raise the Revd. Nathan Stones wood to L 6-0 per cord the present year.

Voted to adjour this meeting to the first Monday in Novr. att One O'clock P.M. at this place.

Att. James Parker Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough Novr. the 1t. 1779
The Town being met according to adjournment prceeded to Bussness as followeth viz.

Docr. Parker the former Modr. being absent proceeded to a new Choice Then Chose Majr. Jona Champney Modr. for this day.

On Art. 3 ' Voted the Sum of Thirteen Hundred Pound to pay the Soldiers & other Town debts to be assessed on the Poles and Reatable Estates of the Town. L 1300-0
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to this day Fortnight att one o'clock att this place.

Att Jonathan Champney Mordr. P. T.
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough Novr. the 15th 1779.
The Town meet according to adjournment & proceeded to act as followeth viz:

On Art. 3d. ' The Vote being tried on the Proceedings of the Convention & passed in the negative.
Then Voted to dissolve the meeting

James Parker Modr.
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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To Messrs Asahel More & Richard Barnes or Either of them--
Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required in the name of the Government and People of Massachusets Bay to warn all Freeholders & other Inhabitants in your Respective districts quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to assemble att the meeting house in Southboro on Monday the 17th of this Instant Jany. att one o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:
First to chuse a Moderator for Said meeting.
2ly. For the Town to Determine by Vote what measure they will take Relative of a Fine of Twenty four Hundred Pounds Set to the Town of Southboro in the last Tax Bill for not Raising four men to Serve in the Continental army for nine months and for the Town to Chuse an Agent or Agents to go to the Genl assembly to get the fine taken of or pass any Vote or Votes Concerning the Same as the Town think fit when met.
3ly. For the Town to allow Town Debts to whom the Town is Justly Indebted. Here of, fail not, & make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding sd. meeting. Dated att Southboro this 12th Day of Jany 1780.

by order of the Selectmen

Joshua Smith T. Clerk

Worcester Ss. Jany the 17th 1780.
This Warrant hath been Executed by me Agreable to the withen direction

Asahel More Constable for Southborough

Southborough Jany. the 17th, 1780.
In Obediance I have fully Executed the within Warrant to me directed.

Richard Barnes Constable for Southborough

Southborough Jany the 17th 1780
The Town being met Agreable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

First Chose Capt. Seth Newton Moderator

On Art. 2d. ' upon a Vote being Tried Whether the Town will assess the fine Set to the Town it passed in the negative. Then Voted to Indemnifie the assessors in not assessing the fine. Then Voted to Chuse a Committe to draw a Petition to Send to the Genl. assembly & that the Same be given to the Representative he to attend sd. Dussness in geting of Sd. fine Voted Sd. Committee consist of three Then chose:-

Docr. James Parker
Lt. Elijah Brigham
Lt. Joshua Smith

On Art. 3 ' Granted the following Sums

To Wm. Onthank.....	L 159- 3-0-2
To Nathan Bridges.....	L 16- 0- -
To Joshua Smith.....	L 39-12-0

Then Voted to Disolve the meeting.

Att. Seth Newton Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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Settlement with Treasurer

Att a meeting of the Selectmen Feby. the 14th, a.d. 1780 having Examined the accounts of Jonas Ball Treasurer for Southborough and find that he has been Chearsable with the Sum of Seven Hundred Nineteen Pounds Twelve Shillings one penney one farthing and that he has produced Vouchers Shewing that he has paid out one Thousand one Hundred and ninety six pounds Eight Shillings & two farthings which is Four Hundred Seventy Six Pounds fifteen shillings Eleven Pence & one farthing more than he has Receivd the above Settlement is Exclusive of the four Hundred & fifty pounds Granted to the Revd. Mr. Stones for his present years Salary and Nineteen Hundred Pounds Granted for to pay

Town Debts

Seth Newton) Selectmen
Joshua Smith) for
Elijah Brigham)
Ezra Taylor) Southboro

Feby the 14th 1780 Sence Settlement the Selectmen paid into the Treasurer Three Pounds ten shillings & Six pence money Paid by Amos Newton Jur. as a fine for not Serving as a highway Servayor the rest taken in Settlement with highway Serveyors.
Att the Same meeting Joseph Wetherbe & Ezch Collins Settled & were Desihared as highway Serveyors.

Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss.
To Messrs Asahel More or Richard Barnes or Either of them--
Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Requird in the Name of the Government & People of Massachusetts Bay and agreable to Vote of this Town to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants in this Town Quallified Voters by Posting up a Copy of this Warrant att Least fourteen days before the time appointed for holding Said meeting to assemble att the meeting house in Southboro on Monday the Sixth day of March next att 12 o'clock att noon to act on the following Articles viz:

First to chuse a Moderator for Said meeting

2ly To Chuse Town Officers for the year ensuing as the Law directs.
3ly To chuse Some Persons to Inspect the killing of Dear contrary to Law.
4ly To Chuse Grave Diggers, a pound keeper, and Some person to Sweep the meeting house & lock & unlock the Same.

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5ly To agree upon & Grant a Sum of money to Repair highways in Said Town the year Ensuing.
6ly To agree upon and grant a Sum of money to pay a school master and other Town Debts.
7ly To Chuse a Committee to hire a school master
8ly To Chuse a Committee to Squadron out the School the Present year
9ly To Consider & allow all Town Debts to those to whom the Town is Justly Indebted.
10ly For the Town to agree upon and Grant a Sum of money in addition to the Rev'd. Mr. Stones Sallery if they think fit and pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same
11 ly To See if the Town will abate the Rates set to the Widw Zeruiah Williams in Richard Barns List of Assessment.
12ly To See if the Town will grant to Moses Bruce a Strip of Land supposed to be about forty Rods lying west of the Rode Laid out over Pine Hill he Obliging himself to clear up the new Rode and make it passable.

13 ly To See if the Town will make any allowance to John Prentice for keeping Gedion Bellows or remove him from his house or pass any vote or votes concerning the Same as they may think fit when met.
14 ly To See if the Town will lease the Work House to the highest bidder for a noon house on Sabbath days on condition they lease it if wanted for use of the Town.
15 ly To See if the Town will have their Town Meetings Warned by Posting the Same, Except it be on Some Sudden and Imporent Emergences when in the Judgment of the Selectmen it ought to be Otherwise.
16 ly To See if the Town will Grant to the Singers for their use During the Town's Pleasure as many Seats in the front Gallery in the Meeting House as shall be Necessary and Convenient, and also Sell the Pews built for the Singers to Such Persons as shall be disposed to purchase the Same and Chuse a Committee to Seat the Meeting house if found Necessary or pass any Vote or Votes Concerning the Same as the Town may think fit when met.
17 ly To See if the Town will grant a Reasonable Compensation to the Constables for the year 1779 and also Grant Some proper Encouragement to those that may be Chose into Sd. Office for the year 1780 or Chuse Collectors or pass any Vote or Votes concerning the Same as the Town think best when met.

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18 ly For the Town to Chose a Choirester to Set the Psalm.
19 ly as the Town att a former meeting Voted to Repay to the Town of Grafton the Dounty they Gave Levi Dunton for the Town to chuse Some person or persons to Settle with Grafton & take a discharge for them.
20 ly To See if the town will hire a Singing master any certain term that the Town shall agree upon att the Expence of the Town for the benifet of Such as are unable to hire for themselves and for the good of the whole Town.
21 ly For the Town to Determine by Vote Whether they will come to an Avaridge in the Present War & have the Cost assest on the Poles & Ratable Estates in Southborough and then chuse a Committee to State all the Service done Scence the War Commenced with the Depretiation of the money and report att Such time as the Town shall direct or pass any Vote or Votes Concerning the Same as the Town think fit when met.
22 ly For the Town to Sell to Jedidiah Paker one rod of Land that he has withen fence from the Widw Fay Land and to Peter Bents for a Reasable pric if he applys for the Same.
23 ly As Persis Bruce is brought into Southboro Legally by Warrant being Pregnant for the Town to Chuse a Committee to make Equirery Whether Sd. Persis is an Inhabitant of Southboro or not & if found to be an Inhabitant for sd. Committee to be authorized to provide for her and keep her to some proper Employment as may best serve for her maintanence and also be Empowered to take care of any Estate She may have & Settle in her behalf for any money that may be got of the man by whom She is Pregnant.
24 ly To See if the Town will Vote to let their Swine run att large the year Ensuing.
25 ly To see if the Town will Sing some of the old Tunes one half

of the day in Public Service.
26. To See if the Town will Wave the paying the present Rates now committed to the constable upon suspision that it is to Defray the Expenses of the Expedition to Penobscot which we think it ought to be a Continental charge and insist for this State to pay and pass any Vote or Votes concerning the Same as they think fit when met.

Here of, fail not, and make due Return of this Warrant with your doing thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed. for holding Sd. meeting. Dated at Southboro this 14th day of Feby 1780. by order of the Selectmen Joshua Smith Town Cl.
Worcester Ss. Southboro March 6th 1780
In Pursuance of the directions of the this Warrent I have Warned all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants within this Town by Posting a coppey of this Warrent.

Richard Barns Constable
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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Southborough March 6th 1780
The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrent Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

First chose Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 2d. ' Seth Newton Excused by vote
' Joshua Smith
Elijah Brigham
Ezra Taylor Excused by Vote
Jonas Ball Excused by vote

2d. day Chose (Nathan Bridges
(Asahel Mathews
(W. M. Onthank

Town Clerk, Joshua Smith
Town Treasurer Jonas Ball

Assessors
James Parker
Nathan Bridges
Asahel More

Constables
West End Hezh Fay
East End Joseph Wetherbe Paid a fine of L 80-1
Benja. Parker chuse 3d. day

Tything Men
Ezra Newton
Simon Towzer

Field Drivers
Joel Brewer
John Johnson

Sealer of Leather
John Bellows

Fence Viewers
Elijah Newton
Moses Bruce

Serveyors of High ways
Benja Smith Excused by Vote
Alex.r Newton
John Prentice
Nathan Taplin Excused by Vote
Jonas Woods
Isaac Johnson Chose 3d. day Excused
Edmund Chamberlain chose 3d. day

Hog Reeves
Daniel Newton
Silas Ball
Josiah Fay
Robert Horne

On Art. 3d.

Deer Reaves
Daniel Johnson
Asahel Mathews

On Art 4th
Grave diggers
Jonas Woods and Benja Smith

Pound Keeper
Benja. Smith

Thomas Stone keeper of the meeting house.

On Art. 5th ' Voted that labor done att highways be Set att L 6-0 per day from the first of April to the Last of Sepr. and from that time through the year be Set att L3 per day the present year only
Then Voted the Sum of L 2000 to repair Highways the year Insuing to be assessed on the poles and Ratable Estates in Southboro L 2000

On Art. 6th ' Voted to pass over for the present 2d. day att the adjournment.
Agreed upon and Granted & Voted the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds to pay a school master & other Town Debts to be assessed on the Poles & Rateable Estates in Southboro. L 3000
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Then Voted to adjourn this meeting till Tomorrow att 12 o'clock att noon att this place.

Att Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough March 7, 1780
The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting being Opened Proceed to act as followeth viz:

On Art. 7th ' Voted to chuse a committee of three persons to hire a Schoolmaster. Then chose Capt. Bellows
Ezra Taylor and
Majr. Champney

On Art. 9th ' Granted the following Sums

To Isaac Johnson.....	L 102-18-0
To Asahel Mathews.....	L 75- 8-4
To Joshua Smith.....	L 10- 1-6
To Dean. Fay.....	L 17- 8-3
To Thomas Stone.....	L 27- 0-0
To James Parker.....	L 288- 0-0
To Jonas Ball.....	L 27- 0-0
To Solomon Newton.....	L 83-10-0
To Ezra Taylor.....	L 99-15-0
To Jonas Ball.....	L 73-19-0
To Absolom Ward.....	L 4-13-0

On Art. 8th Voted to pass over

On Art. 10th ' Granted & Voted the Sum of Five Hundred and fifty Pounds to be assessed on the Poles & Ratable Estates in Southborough.....L 550-0

On Art. 11th ' Passed in the negative

On Art 12th ' Passed over Then voted to pass to the 15th article

On Art. 15th ' Voted that the Town meeting be Warned by posting a Copy of the Warrents unless when in the Judgment of the Selectmen they order it otherwise.
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting till tomorrow att 12 o'clock att this Place.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough March the 8th 1780
The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting being opened proceeded to act as followeth viz:

On Art. 13th ' Voted to pass over for the present 4th Day Granted & Voted to John Prentice the Sum of L 90 for keeping Gedion Bellows from June last to this day.

On Art. 14th ' Voted to lease the Work house to the highest bidder for one year if not wanted for the use of the Town Then put up & struck of to Majr. Champney for Sixty five Dollers he being the highest bidder. L. 28-10-0

On Art. 16th ' Granted the 2 & 3d. Seats in the front Galary mens and womens Side during the Towns pleasure to the Singers, Then voted to Sell the pews built for the Singers use to the highest Bidders

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Then Voted to chuse a Committee to consult with the Singers Relative to the Seats Granted them.

Then Chose:-

Committee (Jonas Ball, Docr. Parker, Majr. Champney) Committees Report that the Singers was Satisfied with the Seats Granted them but Should att the Same time be Glad if any of the fore Seat could be Cleared for them.

Then Voted as much of the fore seat in the front Gallery as could be Cleared for the singers.
March 9th passed the following Votes on the 16th Art.
Voted to chuse a committee of five Persons to Seat the meeting house then chose:-

Committee (Jonas Ball
(Joshua Smith
(Capt. Brigham
(Asahel Mathews Excused by vote
(Solomon Newton
(Capt. Bellows chose 5th day.

Then Voted the following conditions of the Sale of the Pews--to be adhired to by the Purchasers.
Voted to Number the Pews & put them up to Sale by No
Voted that L 30 Pounds be paid down as Earnest & that after it rises above L 300 20/ be a bid and that Security be Given to the Treasurer for the Remainder to be paid in one month
Then chose Jonas Ball Vendue Master.
Then Voted that the pews be not directly nor indirectly Sold to any persons out of the town.
Further Conditions of Sale Voted the 5th day.
Voted that no persons now holding a Pew shall purchase any one of the Pews and Shall sell or Rent his Pew or the one he shall now purchase to any person out of the Town directly or indirectly shall forfeit the Pew he shall now purchase To Revert to the Town again
Then Put the Pews to Sale upon the above Conditions

Pew No 1 Struck of to Heman Fay for.....L 1000
Pew No 2 Struck of to Robert Fay for.....L 1005
Pew No 3 Struck of to Elijah Bellows for.....L 1005
(one of it to Ezra Newton 2 thirds to Capt Bellows)
Pew No 4 Struck of to Ezek. Collins for.....L 1010

Each one then paid down their Earnest

On Art. 17th ' First and last Clases passed in the negative
Then Voted that att the end of the year the Town Grant a reasonable allowance to the present years Constables

On Art. 18th ' Passed over for the present
Jotham Bellows chose the forth day Excepted on Condition it that it be left to his discrition to Set the Old and New Tunes.

On Art. 19th ' Chose Joshua Smith to Settle with Grafton and to give them the Nominal Sum they gave & take or discharge from them

On Art. 20th ' Passed in the Negative

On Art. 21t. ' Passed in the Negative

On Art. 22d. ' Passed over

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On Art. 23d. ' Voted to chuse a Committee of three Persons
Then Chose:-

Committee (Nathan Bridges Excused
(Jonas Ball
(Capt. Brigham Excused
(Majr. Champney Excused

voted that either of) Wm. Onthank
them be Impowered to) Wm. Winchester
appear att Court the)
behalf of Sd. Persis)

Voted that Sd. Committee be Impowered to carry all Matters Relative to Sd. Persis to final Issue
Voted that Either of them be Impowered to appear att Court the the behalf of Sd. Persis----

On Art. 24th ' Voted to let their Swine run att large the year Ensuing

On Art. 25th ' Voted to desire the Choirister to Sing Some of the old Tunes one half of the day in divine Worship.
Voted that Dean Fay & John Amsden or Either of them be desired to Set the Psalm one half of the day in divine Worship on Sabbath day--
Dean Fay Excused by Vote 4th day
Then Voted to adjourn this Meeting till tomorrow att 12 o'clock

Attest Elijah Brigham Modr
Recored by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

The Adjournment from the 8th day March to the 9th day March was Wholly taken up on the 16th & 26th Articles and Swearing the Town officers and was So Intermixt that I could not put the adjourment of the 9th day of March only by minuteing the days in the Votes as they were passed.

Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southboro March 13th 1780
The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting being opened proceeded to act as followeth viz: Pew Sold as within mentioned

On Art. 26th ' acted on 5th day
' Voted to pass over for the Present
Leased the Burying Yard the year Ensuing to Trobridge Taylor for L 14-2-
Sold a logg that lay nigh the meeting house to Peter Fay for L 8-2-
Sold some boards belonging to the Town to Mark Collins Jun.r for..... L 15-12
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting till Next Friday att 2 o'clock att this place

Att Elijah Brigham Modr.

Fryday March 17th 1780

The Town being met according to adjournment the Meeting being opened Proceeded to act as Followeth viz:

Granted to Wm. Onthank L 74-13
Voted to and Excepted the Report of the Commttee for Seating the Meeting house. All the Town Officers Chosen for the year Ensuing have been Sworn Except Asahel Moore as Dear Reave and Jonas Ball as Treasurer when promised before the Town that he would take the oath the first Opportunity he had.

Then Voted to dissolve this meeting

Attt Elijah Brigham Modr
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough March the 17th 1780. The Selectmen then deliverd to the Treasurer--the fine of Joseph Wetherbee paid for Refusing to Serve as Constable being L 80
Also the Several articles Sold on page 106 as money for the Burying Yard log and Boards the whole Sum put Into the Treasurer is one Hundred Seventeen Pound Sixteen Shilling

L 117-1
Treasur
ers Mon

Worcester Ss. To Messrs Hezekiah Fay and Benjamin Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting: You are hereby forthwith Requird in the Name of the Government and People of Massachusetts Bay and by Vote of the Town to warn all Freeholders and Other Inhabitants within the Town of Southboro Quallified Voters by Posting a Copy of this Warrent to Assemble att the Meeting house in Southboro on Monday the 3d. day of April next att 2 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Sd. Meeting

2ly To hear the Requist of Capt Seth Newton Representative for Southboro and for the Town to Comply with his Requist by directing the assessors to Assess L 2400 on the Poles and Ratable Estates in Southboro or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as the Town shall think best when met.
3ly To See if the Town will Transfer the Pew No 2 Struck of to Robert Fay to Willm. Onthank and his Heirs the Purchaser of Sd. Pew
4ly To See if the Town will take up the Manufacture of Pot ashes att the Expence of the Town under the Direction of Such Agents as the Town Shall Chuse for that purpose the Town to have the benefit occurring from that branch of Business and pass any Vote or Votes concerning that Manufacture or any Other as the Town Shall think fit when met.

Here of, fail not, and make due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding Said meeting. Dated att Southborough this 31st day of March A.d. 1780

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith, T. Clerk

In Obediance to the within Written Warrent I have warn'd all the Quallified Voters to attend at time & place as Set forth in this Warrant by posting a Copy here of agreable to the Vote of the Town Southborough April ye 9, 1780

Benja Parker Constable for Southboro
Recorded by Joshua Smith, T. Clerk

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Southborough April the 3d. 1780

The Town being met Agreeable to the foregoing Warrant the meeting Opened Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

First Chose Nathan Bridges Moderator

On Art. 2d. ' Voted to pay the Sum of L 2400 as a fine
Then the Vote bein tried again Passed in the negative.
Voted to Reconsider all the Votes passed on this Article
Voted that Capt. Seth Newton be desired to take the sum of L 2400. Together with a Return from the Assessors to desire the Treasurer to take the money and give his Receipt for the L 2400--and Send his warrents for the whole Sum Let to the town of Southboro in the last Tax bill
Voted that the Selectmen Give an order on the Treasurer in favour of Capt. Newton for pounds 2400; he giving his Receipt for the Same

On Art. 3 ' Passed Over

On Art. 4th ' Voted to set up the Manufacture of Pot ashes upon such Regulations as the Town shall hereafter agree upon.
Voted to Chuse a Committee to draw up a plan of the Regulations and Report att a future meeting and that sd. committee consist of Three. Then Chose:-

Joshua Smith)
Docr. Parker) Committee
Jonas Ball)

Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to this day Fortnight at 4 o'clock P. M. att this place

Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough April the 17th 1780

The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting opened proceeded to act as followeth viz:

after hearing the Report of the committee and Some Remarks the Report Voted to adjourn this meeting to the Anual May meeting Next.

Nathan Bridges Moderator

Southborough May the 26th 1780

The Town being met according to adjournment, the Meeting Voted to adjourn this meeting of this Day Fortnight att 3 o'clock P.M. at this place

Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough June the 9th, 1780

The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting Opend. Proceeded to act as follows viz:

On Art. 4th ' the Committee appointed to draw up a plan of Regulation ' made the following Report,

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The Committee appointed to prepare a plan of Regulation of the Manufacture of Pot Ashes have attended that Service and Report as follows viz:

That the Town appoint an Agent or Agents whose Business shall be as followeth viz:

To Purchase or Hire one of the Pot Ashes in this Town according as the town shall direct. To receive the ashes that Shall be brought in keeping an Exact account of the Quantity each person shall bring in and pay for the Same at the Sale of the Pot Ashes att the price the town shall now agree upon or otherwise for the Town to Direct the agent to hire a Certain Sum of money to Purchase a Quantity of the West India goods to pay for the same att the Receipt of the Ashes to appoint and oversee the person or persons to Manufacture the Pot Ashes and procure Kettles Wood and other Materials to carry on the Same; and when Manufactured to dispose of the Same: In their Judgment, shall be most advantageous to the Town And the Said Agents Shall be Obl'dged once in Six Months to Settle their accounts with the Selectmen and the Selectmen shall at their next Town Meeting after Said Settlement lay it before the Town that they may know the state of the Manufacture And the Said Agents Shall continue in their Office During the Towns Pleasure, the neat Proceeds of the Manufacture Shall be Deposited in the hand of the Town Treasurer or otherwise as the Town shall direct the Treasurer being accountable for all such money as he shall Receive.
Southboro April the 17th 1780

Joshua Smith)
James Parker) Committee
Jonas Ball)

After some debate on the Subject, the vote was put to See if the Town would take up the Manufacture of Pot ashes and it Passed in the Negative. Then voted to Dissolve this Meeting.

Nathan Bridges Modrator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southboro 16th April 1780
Jona Ward Esqr. Deposited in the Town Treasurers hands four Pounds as a fine for Breach of Sabbath.....L 4-0

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To Messrs. Hezh Fay or Benjamin Parker or Either of the---Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:

You are hereby forthwith Required In the Name of the Government and People of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the Male Inhabitants with the Town of Southborough that are Free and Twenty one Years of age by Posting a copy of this Warrant to Assemble att the Meeting house on Monday the first day of May next att one O'clock P.M. to act on the following Articles, viz:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.

2ly For the Town to hear and consider of the Form or Constitution of Government for this State and to approve or disapprove of the Same, and to Pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as the town in their Wisdom Shall think best when met.
3ly To See if the Town will appropriate any and if any how much of the Common or Towns Land lying and Joining Easterly of the Work house and Pound to the Towns use or pass any Vote or Votes Concerning the Same as they think fit when met.
4ly To See if the Town will Impower the Selectmen to draw an order on the Treasurer for the Sum of Ninty Four Pounds, Eight Shillings which Sum the Selectmen have paid for Procuring Blankets for the Army more than the Court would allow to the Selectmen for the Same or pass any Vote or Votes Concerning the Same.

Here of, fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the Time appointed for holding Sd. meeting. Dated att Southborough this 20th Day of April a.d. 1780

By order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith T. Clerk

May 1, 1780 In Obediance to the Withen Warrant I have Executed the Same by Posting a copy thereof agreeable to a Vote of the Town

Hezekiah Fay, Constable for Southborough
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough May the 1^{t} 1780
The Town being met Agreeable to the foregoing Warrant the meeting opened, Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

First Chose Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 2d. ' Voted that a Committee be Chosen to revise the Constitution and make Report att the adjournment.
Voted that the committee Consist of Nine Persons.

Then Chose:-

Joshua Smith)
Elijah Brigham)
Solomon Newton)
Jonas Ball)
Majr. Champney Excused) Committee
Nathan Brigham)
Wm. Onthank)
Nathan Bridges)

Ezra Taylor)
Mark Collins Jur.)

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On Art. 3d. ' Voted that all the Lands Easterly and Southerly of the Work house and Pound belonging to the Town be appropriated to the Town's use.

On Art 4th ' Voted that the Selectmen be Impowered to draw an order on the Treasurer for Ninety four Pounds Eight Shillings .....L 94-8

Then Voted to adjourn this Meeting to this day three weeks att one O'clock P.M. att this place.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough May 22d. 1780

The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting opened Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

after hearing and debating on the Constitution as far as to the 4th Sect. and 2d. chapr, Voted to Adjourn till Friday next Precisely at Twelve O'Clock att this place.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator

Southborough May the 26th 1780

The Town being met according to adjournment the meeting opened Proceeded to act as Followeth viz:

after hearing and debating on the Reminder of the Constitution and the amendments of the Committe the following Vote were put
1st. To See How many would accept of the Constitution as as it now Stands and there was 22 for and 40 against it
2d. The vote being put to See how many would accept of the Constitution with the ammendment there was 48 for the ammendments and 14 against it.
Then a Vote was put to See how many would accept of the Constitution with the ammendments and if after the most Strenuous Exertions of the Delegate to obtain the Same if agreeable to two thirds of Male Inhabitants Voting in Town and Plantation Meetings and Rather than have the Constitution fail to accept of the same as it is now offered 41 Voted for it and 14 against it.
Then Voted that the foregoing Committee be Impowered to State the Reasons for the amendments and give Instruction to the Delagate for his Direction.
Then Voted to dissolve this Meeting.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

The Objections or amendments to the Constitution with the Reason for the Same are as followeth viz;

The Committee appointed by the Town to Consider of and Revise the Constitution or form of Government Lately made by the Convention appointed for that purpose and now offered to the People att Large for their Consideration and ammendment, have attended the Business of their appointment and beg leave to Report as followeth Viz:

Agreed to the Following Amendments

1 amdt. Chapt. 1t Sectn. 1t That the Legislative body consist of two Branches only--That the Governor & Council Constitute one Branch and the House of Representatives the Other branch, the Council to Consist of Twenty Eight Members, To be chosen in the Same Proportion and in the Same manner in the Several districts as the Senate were to be Chosen, and the Governor & Council to have all the Powers that were to Lodged in the Senate.

2. amdt On Chapr. 1st. Sectn. 3d. and 2d. accepted with this Amendment that each Town that Shall be here after Incorporated not having one Hundred and fifty Ratable Poles be Intitled to Elect one Representative.

3. amdt On Chapr 1t Sect. 3 art 3d. accepted leaving out the Last Clause in St. Article

4th amdt On the 1st Chapt. 3d. Sect. and 4th art. accepted with this amendment, that Every Ratable Pole being Free and Twenty-one years of age and Subject to Taxes have a Right to Vote for Councilors and Represenatives

5th Amdt On Chapt. 2d. Sectn. 1t and art. 9th accepted with this ammendment That the house of Pepresentatives have an Equal Right in the Nomination of these officers as any other in this Constitution.

6 Amdt. On 6th Chapr & 7th art accepted with this amendment that Six months be Incerted instead of Twelve months.

7th Amdt On 6th Chapr & 10th art. accepted with this amendment that 1790 be Incerted Instead of 1795

8th Amdt On the last art of 6th Chapr accepted with this addition that Sd laws are to be all the laws that Shall be in force and Practiced upon Withen this State and all other laws hereafter made be Emediately Sent to Each and every town withen written this State to the End that Every Individual may know all the Laws he is to be Governed by and where Ever the Senate & house of Representative are mentioned the Govenor & Council and house of Representative be Incerted Further we desire that Each & Every Part of this Constitution that Millitate with these amendments may be made Conformable to the Amendments

By Order of the Committee Joshua Smith
Chairman

To the Honorable the Convention For forming a form of Government for the State of Massachusetts Bay Agreeable to the Directions in your form of Government we have considered the Same and have made the the foregoing alterations & hereunto Subjoin our Reasons therefor, viz:

On the first amendment or alteration that the having a governor Concil Senate and house of Representatives is Multyplying to large a body of men to the Retarding of Public business and Creating Unnecessary Charge to the State.

2d. amdt — That Taxation and Representation are and of Right ought to be Inseperably Connected together.

3d. amdt — That a person Quallified in good abillities to Serve his Constituents in the Genl Court yet if meeting with any adverse Providence to lesson his Estate to less than L 200, Should leave his Seat in the house which we Judge to be a Disparagement to a gentn.

4th Amdt — Referred to the 2d. being of the Same Nature

5th Amdt — as All money bill Originate in the House of Representatives So ought all the Officers of the State

6th Amdt — That the Write of Habeas Corpus is held so dear to the Subject that Six Months is time Sufficient to have Sd. Write Suspeneded

7th Amdt — That Ten years will Reduce to Practice the Constitution whereby the good or Ill Effects will be Sufficiently known for a revision

8 Amdt. — That our Former Province Laws were So Little Practiced on in Courts that the Subjects in Gen'l Scarce Ever knew when he was to be defended by the Laws of the State whereby Numberless Law Suits were Commenced that would not have been if the whole Laws that were Practiced upon in Courts were Contained in one Volume & deposated with the Clerk of Every Town.

Instructions

To Docr. James Parker Delagate for the Town of Southborough In Convention for forming a Constitution of Government for Massachusetts Bay, Sr.
Agreeable to Vote of the Town we beg leave to Lay before you the following Instructions for the Rule of your Conduct att Convention viz:

That if the Constitution meet the approbation of Two thirds of the Male Inhabitants Voting in Town & Plantation meetings for the Setting up the Same without Sending it out again to the People you are Impowered to vote for Setting up the Constitution att Such time as in your Judgment you think most Convenient to the Public good

Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss
To Messrs. Hezh Fay and Benja Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required In the Name of the Government and People of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants In the Town of Southborough Quallified by Law to Vote for a Representative to assemble att the meeting house in Southborough on Friday the 26th day of May Current att one O'Clock P.M. to act on the following articles--viz:

1t For the Town to Chuse Some Person for to Represent them in the Great and Genl Court the year Ensuing or act thereon as the Town Shall think fit when met.
2ly To Chuse a Moderator for the remaining Busness of this Warrant.
3ly For the Town to Impower the Committe Chosen to provide for Samuel Hudson, to Continue providing for him, or Chuse a new Committe for that purpose or pass any Vote or Votes concerning the Same as the Town think fit when met
4ly For the Town to hear a Report of the Selectmen Concerning a Peice of Towns Land adjoining to Moses Bruce and Grant the Same to Sd. Bruce & his Heirs for a Reasonable Sum or pass Vote or Votes to the Same as the Town think fit when met
5ly For the Town to Grant to Capt. Nathan Brigham and his Heirs a Certain Peice of Land together with an Apple tree Standing on the Same near where Nathaniel Beals lately lived for a Reasonable Price or act thereon as the Town may think fit
6ly For the Town to allow all Just debts to Whom the Town is Justly Indebted

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this warrant With your doing thereon To the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding Said Meeting
Dated att Southborough this 19th day of May a.d. 1780

By order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith Town Clerk

In Obediance to the Within Written Warrant I have warned all the quallified Voters in Southborough to attend it time and place as Set forth in this Warrant, by Posting a Copy of this Warrant agreeable to the Vote of the Town.

Benja Parker Constable for Southborough
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southboro May the 26th 1780

The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant the meeting Opened Proceeded to act as followeth viz:--

On Art. 1	Passed in the Negative
On Art. 2d	Chose Leiut. Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 3 | Voted to Impower the Committe To Continue providing for Samuel Hudson

On Art. 4 | Voted to pass over for the present

On Art. 5 | Passed in the Negative

On Art. 6 | Granted To Solomon Ward L 330-0 L 330-0
Granted to Doct Parker.....L 20-0
Granted to Wm. Onthank & Joshua Smith.....L 150-0
Then Voted to adjoin this meeting to this day Fortnight att One O'clock P.M.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southboro, June the 9th 1780

The Town being met according to adjoinment the meeting Opened Proceeded to act as followeth viz:-

On Art. 4 | The Selectmen made the following Report

Southboro May the 23d 1780

The Report of the Selectmen upon Veiwing the Road adjoining Moses Bruces Land acrost the Southwesterly Part of Pine Hill So called and of Turning the Road from where it had been formerly laid out on Land left by the Proprietors for a Road and Settling it as followeth viz:--Beginning att a heap of Stones on the East Side of the road against the Northeasterly Corner of Lemuel Newtons Meadow Turning a Little Easterly out of the Trod Road to a Large Rock & Stone Ten Rods thence Running North 30d W- 18 Rods to a heap of Stones Said to be Moses Bruces & Benja Parkers Corner thence Running North 31d W 12 Rods by Land of Benja Parker to a heap of Stones Said to be Sd Parkers & Jona Newtons Corner, thence Running North 22d W. 10 Rods by Land of Jona Newton to a White Oak Stump by the Side of the Trod way, the above Said bounds to be the Easterly bounds of Said Road, Leaving the Road full two Rods wide-- and there Remains one acre and three quarters of Land Exclusive of the above Road, Belonging to the Town to be disposed of, and where the Road is now Stated we judge will make a much better Road than where the Road is now Trod

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith T. Clerk

Then Voted to Accept of the Report of the Selectmen in the alteration of the Road, and Discontinued the Remainder of the Road.
Then Voted to disolve this meeting.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough May 11th 1780

Per-ambu-lation

We the Subscribers being Duly appointed to Perambulate the line between Southborough and Framingham, began att the North East Corner by Bensons so called and we have Renewed the bounds as far as Stones corner So called and Renewed Twenty Bounds, and went no further by Reason of Contest on the Line.

Wm. Onthank) Committe for Southboro
James Bridges)

James Clayes Junr.) Committe for Framingham
Lawson Buckminster)

To Messrs. Hezh Fay or Benja Parker or Either of them--Constable for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby Required forthwith In the Name of the Government and People of Massachusetts Bay to Warn all the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants In your Respective districts quallified To Vote in Town affairs to assemble att the meeting house in Southborough on Friday the 16th of June Instant att 3 O'clock P.M. to act on the Following articles--viz:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Sd Meeting

2ly For the Town to hear the Orders Sent to the Militia Officers for Raising Ten men to Serve in the Continental Army for Six months For the Town to determine in what manner Sd men Shall be Raised--Either by draught or by Rate and if by Rate to Chuse a Committe to hire the money till by adjornment of this meeting it can be Legally Granted to hire Sd men with also for the Town to determine what number of men they will Raise there being now Six Surplus men in the Continental army and Endemnifie the Officers in not Raising the whole Number of men Requird if the Town See fit to Return the Surplus men or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as the Town Shall think fit when met--

Here of fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding Sd meeting
Dated att Southborough this 14th day of June a.d. 1780

by Order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith Town Clerk

June the 16th 1780

In Obediance to the within written Warrant I have Warned the Inhabitants in my destrict qualified to Vote in Town meeting to attend at time and place as Set forth in this Warrant.

Benja Parker Constable for Southborough

Persuant to this Warrant I have Warned the with mentioned Voters to meet at time and place

Pr. Hezehiah Fay Constable for Southboro
Recorded by Joshua Smith T. Clerk

Southborough June the 16th 1780

The Town being met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant the meeting Opened Proceeded to act as followeth viz:-

First Chose Capt Seth Newton Moderator.

On Art. 2d. ' Voted that the men be Raised by a Rate
' Voted To Chuse a Committe to hire money to Raise the men with
Voted the Committe Consist of five Persons-

for Committe Chose:-

(Benja Mixer
(Ezra Taylor
(Moses Bruce
(Mark Collins Junr.
(Asahel More

A Vote being put to See if the Town will Raise Ten men it Passed in the Negative.
Voted to Raise four men and Return the Six Surplus men
Voted that the officers Return the Six Surplus men
Voted that the above Committe be Impowered to hire the four men To be Raised
Voted that the Committe be Impowered to hire four men on Reasonable Terms, Stateing the Currency on Indian Corn and to pay them So many Bushels or the Current price of the Corn now for what they Shall Agree to pay them before they march and that the Town Treasurer also is Impowered To give his Note in behalf of the Town for as many Bushels of Indian Corn or the Current price of the Corn att the time the above men Return from the Service by discharge Sd. Treasurer to have a Certificate from the Committe of the price they have agreed with the men for
Then Voted to adjorne this meeting till Wednesday the 28th day of June Instant att 4 O'clock P.M. att this place

Att Seth Newton Moderator

Southborough June 28 1780

The Town being met according to Adjornment the meeting opened Proceeded to act as followeth viz:-

Capt Newton being absent on a Journey Proceeded to a new Choice
Then Chose Nathan Bridges Moderator
Voted that the Militia Officers be Impowered to assist the Committe already chosen to et the four men & the Other two men to be Raised
Then Voted to adjorn this meeting till Saturday next at 11 o'clock A.M.

Test Nathan Bridges Moderator

July 1, 1780

The Town met according to adjournment and Proceeded to act as follows viz:

Voted to adjorn this meeting to Monday next at 5 o'clock afternoon

Att Nathan Bridges Moderator

July 3d 1780 The Town met according to adjournment and Proceeded to act viz:-

Voted to adjourn this meeting to Monday the 17th Instant att 6 o'Clock afternoon att this place

Test Nathan Bridges Modr

July 17th 1780 The Town met according adjournment proceeded to act as followeth viz:-

Then Voted to dissolve this meeting

Test Nath Bridge Modr
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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Worcester Ss.
To Messrs. Hezh Fay or Benja Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required In the Name of the Government and People of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants within the Town of Southborough Quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Meeting house in Southboro on Monday the third day of July next at 4 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:-

First To Chuse a Moderator for Sd Meeting

As the Gen.l Assembly of this State have called upon the Town of Southboro for twelve men from the Militia of Sd Town to Serve in the Continental Army for three months after there arrival at Camp, For the Town to hear the Orders Sent for Sd. men & determine by Vote in what way and manner they will have Sd. men Raised, Either by Rate or draught, and if the Town Vote to Raise Said men by Rate To Chuse a Committe to hire the money to Pay Sd men with till by
21y adjournment of this meeting the money can be Legally Granted, both for these or any other that have been already Raised, and Pass any Vote or Votes upon any Matter or thing Relative To Raising Furnishing or Marching any or all the men now raised or to be Raised from the Militia of this Town either now raised or that may be Raised for the future

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with your doing there on to the Selectmen at or before the Time appointed for holding Said Meeting. Dated at Southboro this 30th day of June a.d. 1780.

by order of The Selectmen
Joshua Smith T. Clerk

Southborough July 1, 1780

In Obediance to this Warrant I have warned all Quallified Voters

therein mentioned To attend Time and place as set forth in this Warrant

Benja Parker Constable for Southborough

July 3d 1780. The Town met according To the foregoing Warrant and Proceeded To act as follows viz:-

First Choose Lt. Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 2d ' Voted that the men now to be Raised and here of To be raised be raised be Raised by a Rate During the Towns pleasure.
Voted to Chuse a Committe to hire the money for the men now to be raised & those who Shall be hereafter Raised
Voted Sd. Committe Consist of five.

Chose:- Isaac Johnson) Gedion Newton) Heman Fay) for Committe David Johnson) Moses Bruce)

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Voted that the Militia Officers be Impowered to agree with the men now to be Raised & hereafter to be hired
Then Voted to adjorn this meeting to Monday the 17th Instant at five of the Clock at this place

Att Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

July 17th 1780 The Town met according to adjornment and Proceeded To act as followeth viz:-

Agreed upon and Granted..... 11644-0
To pay the Soldiers, to be assesed on the poles & Rat-able Estates in Southborough
Then Voted to adjorn this meeting till this day three weeks att 3 o'clock P.M.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator

Augt. the 7th 1780--The Town met according to adjornment the meeting Opened proceeded to act as followeth viz:-
Elijah Brigham Moderator of this meeting being absent the Town then Chose Nathan Bridges Moderator for the remaining Busines of this meeting
Then Voted to disolve this meeting

Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

July the 7th 1780 the Selectmen Deposited in the Town Treasurer Twenty Eight Hundred and Eighty Pounds it being fine Remmitted by

the Genl Court & bounty allowed the Town of Southboro for four Continantal men..... L 2880-0

Worcester Ss
To Messrs. Hezh Fay or Benja Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forwith Required In the Name of the Government and People of the Massachusett's Bay to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants within the Town of Southborough Qualified by the New Constitution or form of Government, which is to take Place on the Last Wednesday of Oct. next To Chuse a Covernor Leiut. Governor Councilors and Senators to assemble att the meeting House in Southboro on Monday the fourth day of Sept. next att One O'Clock P.M. To act on the following article viz:

To Chuse a Governor Leiut. Governor and Persons for Councilor and Senators to Constitute the first Great & Gen.l Court of the
1. Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Serve in their Said Capacitys the Year Ensuing their Election or till another Election all which Elections To be Conformable To Said Constitution.

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2ly To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining Bussness of the Warrant
3ly To Grant to the Revd. Nathan Stone his Salary for his Service in the Ministry the Present year Ending June the 8th 1781
4ly For the Town to Grant a Sum of Money, which the Committe for paying Soldiers have Borrowed & paid to the Soldiers that have marched into the Service for the Town, or pass any Vote or Votes Relative to the Same.
5ly For the Town to Grant to Nathan Brigham Junr. & His Heirs a Certain peice of Land Together with an apple Tree Standing on the Same near where Nathanl Beals Lately lived for a Reasonable price or pass any Vote or Votes on the Same
6ly For the Town To Grant to John Johnson and his Heirs a Certain peice of Land from the highway near where Saml Lyscom Esqr. Lately lived for a Reasonable price or pass any Vote or Votes on the Same.
7ly For the Town to hear and accept of the Report of the Committe Chosen by the Town to take care of Persis Bruce and pass any Vote or Votes on the Same

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings theron to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding Sd Meeting Dated att Southborough this Eighteenth day of Aust. a.d. 1780

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith T. Clerk

Worcester Ss. September the 4th 1780
In Obediance To the within written Warrant I have warned all the Qualified Voters in Southboro, to attend at time and place as Set forth in this Warrant by Posting a Copy hereof

Benja Parker Constable for Southboro

Sepr. the 4th 1780 The Town met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant the meeting Opened Proceeded to act as follows viz:-

On Art. 1 ' Votes for Governor is as followeth viz:-
For the Hon.l John Hancock Esqr.....27 Votes
For the Hon.l Azor Orne Esqr..... 6 Votes
For the Hon.l James Bordwin Esqr..... 2 Votes
For Leiut Govenor the Votes were as Follows Viz
For the Hon.l Azor Orne Esqr.....14 Votes
For the Hon.l James Bordwin Esqr..... 9 Votes

Votes for Senator are as follows viz:-

1 (For Samuel Baker Esqr. 12 Votes
(Moses gill Esqr.....one Vote
(Edward Rawson Esqr....one Vote

2 (Joseph Dorr Esqr..... 18 Votes

3 (For Honle John Whitecom Esqr.....19 Votes

4 (For Majr Seth Washburn Esqr.....24 Votes

5 (For Israel Nichols Esqr.....19 Votes
(Jona Ward Esqr..... 3 Votes

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On Art 2d ' Chose Leiut. Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 3d ' Voted to chuse a Committe to treat with the Revd. Nathan Stone
Voted Said Committe Consist of three persons
Then chose Doctr Parker, Nathan Bridges & Willm Onthank for Committe
The Committe Reported as follows viz:-that the Revd Mr Stone did Strictly adhere to his Letter Sent to the Moderator to be Communicated

On Art 4th ' Agreed upon and Granted the Sum of L 1500 to be assessed on the poles and Rateable Estate In Southborough

On Art. 5th' Voted to pass over for the present
Second day Voted to pass over finally

On Art. 6th' Voted to pass over for the present
Second day Voted to John Johnson his Heirs & Assigns for Ever a Certain peice of Land near Where Saml Lyscom Esqr. lately lived being about Six Rods of Land as Discribed by the Selectmen.
May the 23d. 1780 The Selectmen Veiwed a peice of Rock for John Johnson and Laid out to him as followeth viz:-began at a Walnut tree Running Westerly 2 Rods to the Spring from thence 7 Rods the Same Course to a Walnut tree att the Westerly End 18 Links Wide, att the Spring 13 Links Wide the Rode Left at the Spring one Rod 11 Links Wide at the West End 1 Rod & 8 links Wide, for a Consideration of L15

Then Voted to adjorn this meeting to the first Monday of Octr next at One O'clock P.M.

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator

Oct.r 2d 1780 The Town met according To adjournment Proceeded to act as follows viz:-Voted To adjorn this meeting for one hour

Elijah Brigham Modr.

Oct.r 2d The Town met according to adjornment proceeded to act as follows viz:-

On Art. 3d ' Voted to chuse a Committe to Confer with Mr. Stone. ' Relative to his Salary the present year for Committe Chose Nathan Bridges Jonas Ball and Majr. Champney upon the Return of the Committe the Town agreed upon and Granted to the Revd Nathan Stone.....L 3000 To be assessed on the poles and Rateable Estates in Southboro

On Art 7th ' Voted and accepted of the Report of the Committe ' Voted that the money Remaining in the hand of the Committe be laid out upon Sd. Persis Bruce att their descretion, then Voted to disolve this meeting

Attest Elijah Brigham Modr
Recorded by Joshua Smith T. Clerk

L 15-This L 15 was what John Johnson gave for the land above described of-& paid at this meeting.

money put into the Treasury

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Worcester Ss
To Messrs. Hezh Fay or Benja Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required in the Name of the Government and People of Massachusetts Bay to warn all the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants within the Town of Southboro quallified by Law To Vote for a Representative to assemble at the meeting house in Southboro on Monday the 2d day of Octr next at 3 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:-

First to Chuse a Representative To Serve in the Great & Genl. Court the year Ensuing or till another Election or act thereon as the Town think fit when met

2ly To Chuse a Moderator for the Remaining bussness of this Warrant
3ly For the Town to agree upon and Set a price upon the wood found by the Town for the Revd. Nathan Stone the present year or pass any Vote or Votes on the Same
4ly For the Town to Grant Liberty to the Center Squadron to draw

there proportion of Money Granted at the annuel meeting in March Last to hire a School Master or pass any Vote or Votes on the Same
5ly For the Town to allow all Just debts to whom the Town is Justly Indebted
6ly For the Town to Chuse a Committe to Repair the Pound or pass any Vote or Votes on the Same
7ly For the Town to agree upon and Grant to the Widw Salter a Certain Quantity of Wood for the year Ensuing
Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed for holding Sd. Meeting. Dated at Southborough this 26th day of Sepr. 1780

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith T. Clerk

In Obediance To this Warrant I have fully Executed the Same by Posting a Copy Agreeable to a Vote of this Town Southborough Oct 3d. 1780 pr. Hezekiah Fay Constable for Southboro
Oct. 2d 1780 the met agreable to the foregoing Warrant proceeded to act as followeth viz:-

On Art. 1 ' Voted to Send a Representative the present year
' Then Chose Capt. Seth Newton Representative

On Art. 2 ' Chose Isaac Johnson Moderator

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On Art 3d ' Voted that the Wood found Mr. Stone by the Town be Set at Thirty Pounds per Cord the present year
Voted that Thirty Cord of Wood be found and delivered the Revd. Mr Stone by the first of Jan y next
Then Agreed upon and Granted L 900 to be assessed on the Poles and Ratable Estate in Southboro for to Provide Sd. Wood with-----

On Art 4th ' Voted that the Center Squadron be Impowered to draw there proportion of the money Granted for Schooling the Present year. Then Voted to Chuse a Committe of four Persons to Squadron out the money for the School and draw the money for the Centre Squadrons part Then chose Joshua Smith, Jonas Ball Asahel Mathews and Mark Collins Junr. for Committe

On Art. 5th ' Then Voted to adjourn this meeting for half an hour
Attest Isaac Johnson Moderator
The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows:-

Granted To the Selectmen.....L 197-10-
Granted to Benja Parker.....L 15-
Granted to Doct. James Parker.....L 80-

On Art. 6th ' Voted To Chuse a Committe to Repair the Pound
' Voted Sd. Committe Consist of three
Then Chose Jonas Ball Peter Brewer and Capt Bellows

On Art. 7th ' Voted and Granted to the Widw Salter three and half Cords of wood
Then Voted to dissolve this meeting

Isaac Johnson Moderator
Accorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss
To Messrs. Hezekiah Fay or Benja Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required In the Name of the Government and People of Massachusetts Bay, To warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants within the Town of Southborough Quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs To Assemble att the Meeting House in Southborough on Monday the 23d day of Octr Current att one O'clock P.M. to act on the Following Articles viz:-

First To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting

As the Gen.l Assembly of this State have called upon the Town of Southborough for Six Thousand four Hundred and Eighty Pounds of beef, to be Purchased & delivered to Agents appointed for the pur-
2ly pose of Receiving the Same, For the Town to Chuse a Committe to purchase and deliver the Same Agreable to the Resolve of the Gen.l Court for Raising Sd. Beef or to pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as the Town Shall think fit when met and at an adjournment of this meeting Grant a Sum of money for the Purchasing the above Beef-

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For the Town to procure Some place or places to Receive Beef Pork Grain & etc that is to be Received in Leiu of hard money by
3ly the Constables for a Tax Levied on the State for Raising a Sum of hard money, or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as they think best when met--
For the Town to abate the Rates Set to Silas Newton in a List of
4ly Assesment Committed to Asahel More to Collect for the year 1779 or pass any Votes on the Same as the Town think fit when met

To See if the Town will make any allowance To the Revd Mr. Stone for the Depreciation of money on his Salary for the year 1779 and
5ly make a Grant for the Same also to make a Reduction from Sd. Grant of the Sum Mr. Stone has Received more than the Grant made for him the last year or pass any Vote or Votes on the Same as the Town think fit when met

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen att or before the time appointed For holding Said Meeting. Dated at Southborough this 20th day of Oct.r a.d. 1780

by Order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss
In Obediance To this Warrant I have fully Executed the Same by Posting a Copy of the Same Agreable to a Vote of the Town Southborough Octr 23d 1780 The Town met Agreeable to the following

Warrant Proceeded to act as follows viz:

First Chose Lt Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 2d. ' Voted to Chuse a Committe to procure the beef or money
' Voted Sd Committe Consist of three
Then Chose Jonas Ball Majr Champney & Joshua Smith
Excused by Vote Then Chose Isaac Johnson
Then Voted Sd Committe be Impowered to raise the money
Then Voted that Sd. Committe be Impowered to purchase the beef where they can get it Cheapest & Security in behalf of the Town
Then Voted To add one more to Sd Committe
Then Chose Heman Fay

On Art. 3d. ' Voted that the Town will not pay the Rates in hard money or any other article Set forth in the Tax bill
Voted to Endemnifie the Constables in not collecting the Taxes
Then Voted to Reconsider all the Votes passed on
Then Voted to adjorn this meeting To Friday night att one o'clock P.M. at this place

Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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Nov. 3d The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows viz:

On Art. 3d ' Voted to Endemnifie the Constable till the first of Jany next

On Art. 4 ' Voted to pass over for the present

On Art. 5 ' Voted to make Mr. Stone Some allowance for Last year
' Voted to and Granted the Revd. Mr Stone three Hundred and fifty Pounds Exclusive of what he has Received that being about L 150- more than was Granted him for 1779.....L 350

On Art. 2d ' Voted to Excuse Jonas Ball from Serving a Committe
' Then Granted & Voted Ten Thousand Pounds L 10,000 I 10,000 for the use of the Town to be assesed on the poles and Rateable Estate in Southborough
Then Chose Elisha Fay in the room of Mr. Ball
Then Voted to disolve this meeting

Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss
To Messrs. Hes.h Fay and Benja Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts To warn all the Freeholders and other In-

habitants within the Town of Southboro Quallified Voters to assemble at the Meeting house in Southborough on Monday the forth day of December next att one o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz:-

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.

For the Town to agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to pay the Soldiers that have been into the Service for the Town both the Six months men & those for three months, which have now Returned from the Service of the Continent and those for Six months whose times are not yet out, also for the Town to Chuse Some Person or Persons as Agents for the Town to pay the Soldiers as Soon as the money can bee Collected & take their Receipts in full for the Town & Lodge their Receipts with the Treasurer for future Settlement or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as the Town Shall think best when met

Here of fail not and make due Return of this warrant with your doings thereon To the Selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding Said meeting: Dated at Southborough this 20th day of Nov. a.d. 1780

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Decemr the 4th 1780 In obediance to the within written Warrant I have warnd all the Quallified Voters in Southborough to assemble at time & place as Set forth in this Warrant by Posting a Copy hereof

Benja Parker Constable for Southborough

L 200 Feb. y 7th 1781 the Selectmen deposited in the hands of the Town Treasurer two Hundred Pounds in part for the support Rec'd from the Gen'l Court the Support of Joseph Buck while in the Service

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Decemr the 4th a.d. 1780 The Town being met according to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as follows viz:

First Chose Nathan Bridges Moderator

On Art. 2d ' Voted & Granted the Sum of Twenty four Thousand & Six Hundred Pounds L 24600 To be assessed on the Poles and Ratable Estates in Southborough for to pay Soldiers and Other Town debts with

Voted to Chuse Agents Voted to Chuse three persons Agents
Then Chose Jonas Ball Nathan Bridges and William Onthank Agents
Then Voted to dissolve this meeting Nathan Bridges Moderator

Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

To Messrs. Hezh Fay and Benja Parker or Either of them--Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:

You are hereby forthwith Required In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts To warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants within the Town of Southboro Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to assemble att the meeting house in Southborough on Tuesday the 26th day of Decemr Instant a one o'clock P.M. to act on the Following articles viz:

First to Chuse a Moderator for Said meeting

For the Town to hear a Resolve of the Genl. court of this Commonwealth for Raising a Quantitie by beef, for the Service of the United States, for the Town to Chuse a Committe for to purchase
2ly the beef or to pay the money in Lieu of the beef or pass an Vote or Votes or Come into any Measure they may think best for Raising Sd. beef when met and to continue this meeting by adjournment till the money can be Legally Granted for Said beef

For the Town to hear the orders Sent to this Town for Raising Eleven men to Serve in the Continental army for three years or during the War--For the Town to consider of the Same and adopt Some
3ly measures for Raising Said men as the Town may think best or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same in any or all the clauses of Said act for Raising Sd men Either by Chusing a Committe to hire Said men or by Clasing the Town out or any other method that Shall be thought most Salutary to Elect the Raising Sd. men

For the Town to hear and Consider of the Petition or Request of the Proprietors of the Soil of a certain Tract of Land Commonly Known by the Name of Framingham Leggor Fiddleneck to See if the
4ly Town will agree to & accept of them and their lands if they can get annext to Southborough from Framingham or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as they may think best when met

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with your doings theron to the Selectmen at or before the time appointed for holding Sd. meeting. Dated at Southboro this 21T. day of Decmr a.d. 1780

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith T. Clerk

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Worcester Ss
In obediance to the Warrant I have fully Executed the Same by Posting a copy agreable to a Vote of this Town
Southborough Decembr 25th 1780 Hezh. Fay Constable
Southborough Decemr the 26th 1780 The Town met agreable to the foregoing Warrant Proceeded to act as follows viz:

1. Chose Lt Elijah Brigham Moderator

On Art. 2d ' Voted to comply with the Requisition of Court for Supplying beef
Voted to chuse a Committe to purchase Said beef
Voted Sd. Committe consist of three persons then Chose Heman Fay (Jonas Ball & Maj.r Champney) Excused by Vote then chose Capt.

Elijah Bellows & Mark Collins Junr Committe

On Art. 3d ' Voted to pass over for the present

On Art. 4 ' Voted to pass over for the present

Then Voted to adjorn this meeting to Monday next at one o'clock P.M.

Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Jan. y the 1t. 1783 the Town met according to adjournment proceeded to act as follows viz:

On Art. 3d. ' Voted to comply with the Requisition of Court to raise Eleven men for the Continental army
Voted to chuse a Committe to hire the men Voted Sd. committe consist of Eleven Including the Militia Officers the Chose Isaac Johnson, Elijah Brigham, Nathan Bridges, Jonas Ball Wm Onthank Lt Mathews, Asahel More & Capt. Bellows
Voted to leave the matter discritionary to the Committe till the next meeting.

On Art. 4 ' the following Petition was Read to the Town viz:
To the Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough Qualified to Vote in Town affairs.
The Petition of the Subscribers Inhabitants or Proprietors of Framingham Leggor Fiddle Neck So called humbly Sheweth that your Petitioners for divers Reasons, among which is the Distance from the publick Worship in Framingham, desire that the afore mentioned Lands may be annexed to the Town of Southborough upon Condition that Sd Lands Shall be Legally Set off from Framingham the above mentioned Lands to be Considered as beginning at Stones Corner, and running Southward on the Easterly Line of Wigglesworth Farm, so called, to Sudbury River, and then Westward by Sd River till it comes To Marlborough old line or any part of the Premises as Shall be agreed upon by the Town of Southborough & your Petitioners, and as in duty bound your Petitioners Shall ever pray Southborough Decr. 27, 1780

Signed by (Nathaniel Fay--Reuben Fay
(Saml Horne --Silas Ball
(David Fay --Elisha Bemis
(Phineas Bemis--

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The Town took into consideration the foregoing Petition and agreed to the following Vote viz:
Voted to accept of the Proprietors of the Lands of Framingham Leggor Fiddle Neck so called to be annext to the Town of Southborough with their Lands as discribed by them in their Petition on the following conditions viz:
That the Town be at no charge in there being annext to Southborough nor in Settling the Line nown in disput between the Town or Individuals and no difficulties Shall hereafter arise by the distance

from the Publick meeting house, by haveing it Removed nearer to them, and that any Inhabitants now living on the Premises not proprietors are not accepted with the proprietors

On Art. 2d ' Voted to Excuse Capt. Bellows & Heman Fay from Serving as Comte.
Chose Daniel Johnson & Lt Chamberlain in their room
Voted to chuse an Agent to kill and Salt the beef bought by the Committe and to provide Salt and Barrels
Then Chose Joshua Smith Agent
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to this day Fortnight at one O'Clock P.M. at the meeting house Elijah Brigham Modr.

Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Jan.y the 15th 1781 The met according to adjornment Proceeded to act as followeth viz:

On Art. 2d. 'Voted that the Committe be directed to make Enquiery of the Persons to whom money is due and See what they can get and make Report at the next meeting

On Art. 3d ' Voted to give the Soldiers Forty Shillings per month In hard money to be paid once in Six Months
Then Voted to adjorn this meeting till Thursday next at one O'clock P.M. at this place

Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Jan.y 18th 1781 The Town met according to adjornment proceeded to act as follows viz:

On Art. 2d ' Agreed upon Voted and Granted the Sum of Eighteen Thousand Pounds L 18000---to be assessed on the poles and Rateable Estates in Southborough for purchasing beef. Then Voted to adjorn this meeting to this day three weeks at One O'clock P.M. at this place

Elijah Brigham Moderr
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Feb.y the 8th 1781 the Town met according to adjournment proceeded to act as follows viz:

Elijah Brigham Modr for this meeting being absent the Town made Choice of Nathan Bridges Moderator

On Art. 3d ' Voted to dismiss the former Committe and chuse a Smaller Committe Voted Sd. Committe consist of three persons

Then Chose Committe:
Jonas Ball--Excused by Vote
Wm. Winchester
Mark Collins--Excused by Vote
Joshua Smith
Doc.r Parker

Voted that Said Committe be Impowered to procure the men upon the most Reasonable Terms they can and that it be left to their discretion

On Art. 2d. ' Voted to add two persons more to the Committe for Purchasing beef then chose:-

Elijah Brigham Excused by Vote
William Onthank &
Elijah Fay for committe

Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to next week on Thursday at Two O'clock P.M.

Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southboro Feb.y 15th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment and proceeded to act as follows viz:

On Art. 3d. ' Voted that the Town Treasurer Shall hire a Sum of money Sufficient to hire the Soldiers the Treasurer was Excused by Vote

Then Voted that Capt. Newton be an Agent for the Town to hire the money to Raise the Soldiers, and Commit the Same to the Committe already raised to hire the men 2d committe to Dispose of the Same at their discretion

Then Voted that Sd Agent & Committe Report their doings to the Town at the adjournment of this meeting

Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to the Annual March meeting next

Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough March 5th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows Viz:

On Art. 3d ' Voted that Joshua Smith be Impowered to borrow money and give his Security in behalf of the Town for the Same Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to Wednesday next at 2 o'clock P.M. at this place.

Attest Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

March the 7th 1781 the Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows viz:-

On Art 3d ' Voted that the Committe Proceed to hire the men, and that the Town Enable the Committe to pay fifty hard Dollers to each man before they march

Then Voted to adjorn this meeting to Friday next at 2 o'clock P.M. at this place

Attest Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

March 9th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment proceeded to act as follows viz:

Voted to adjourn this meeting to Thursday next at 2 o'clock P.M. to this place.

Attest Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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Southborough March 15th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows viz:

On Art 3d. ' Voted to dismiss Docr. Parker from Serving as a Committe man
Then chose Heman Fay in his Room
Then agreed upon and granted the Sum of Three Hundred and Forty five Pounds.....L 345
To be assessed on the Poles and Ratable Estates in Southboro Sd. Sum is made in Gold or Silver, and paid accordingly or in bill of Credit Current in this common Wealth Equel in Value to Gold and Silver
Voted that the Town Treasurer together with Joshua Smith be Impowered in behalf of the Town to give the Soldiers Notes
Voted that the assessors be desired to assess the above Sum as Soon as may be
Voted to adjorn this meeting to the first Mnday In April Next at 4 o'clock P.M. at this place

Nathan Bridges Modr.
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Southborough April the 2d day 1781
The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows
Voted to Pay the Soldiers Six Months pay In Six months from the third of March Last that being the Second Note of fifty hard Dollers
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to the next May meeting att this place

Att Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

May the 14th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment proceeded to act as follows viz:

Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to this day fortnight at 3 o'clock P.M. at this place

Nathan Bridges Modr.
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

May 28th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment proceeded to act as follows viz:-

Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to the next Town meeting that

he held

Nathan Bridges Modr
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

June the 28th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment proceeded to act as follows viz:-

Voted that the former Committe proceed to use their utmost Endeavor to procure the three delinquent men
Voted that the Constables be directed to Exert themselves to Collect the Hard money Tax as soon as Posable for the benefit of the Committe
Voted to adjourn this meeting to Next Week a Thursday at 4 o'clock P.M.

Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

July 5th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows viz:-

Voted that the former Committe Exert themselves to their utmost to procure the three men difficient
Voted to adjourn this meeting to the next Town meeting at 5 o'clock P.M.

Nathan Bridges Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

For the Remainder of the Proceedings on this Warrant turn to the 139th Page at the Bottom

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Money put into the Treasury 135-10-9

Southborough March the 2d. the Selectmen Put into the hands of the Treasurer one Hundred thirty five Pounds Ten Shillings & Nine pence being Part of a Sum Received from the Genl. Court for the Support of the Family of Joseph Buck when he was in the Continental Army

Settlement with the Treasurer

At a meeting of the Selectmen Southborough March 2d 1781 having Examined the accounts of Jonas Ball Treasurer for Southborough; and find that he has been chargable with the Sum of Sixty four Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty nine Pounds Seventeen Shillings and 13: And that he has Produced Vouchers Shewing that he has paid out Forty two Thousand Three Hundred and Four Pounds one Shilling & 11- and that their now Remains in the hands of the Treasurer-Twenty two Thousand & Sixty five Pounds fifteen Shillings and 14; Exclusive of the Last Grant of Eighteen Thousand Pounds for Purchasing beef for the Service of the United States

I 64369-17-3 Charged to the Treasurer
42304- 1-11--Treasurers Vouchers
L 22065-15-4 Ballance in the Treasurers hands

Joshua Smith) Selectmen
Nathan Bridges) for
Will.m Onthank) Southborough

Worcester Ss
To Messrs Hezekiah Fay or Benjamin Parker or Either of them--
Constables for Southborough.....Greeting:
You are hereby forthwith Required In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts to Warn all the Freholders and other Inhabitants within the Town of Southborough Quallified to Vote In Town affairs to assemble att the meeting House in Southborough on Monday the 5th day of March next att 9 o'clock before noon to act on the following articles-viz:

1. To Chuse a Moderator for Said meeting
2ly To Chuse Town Officers for the year Ensuing as the Law directs
3ly To Chuse Some persons to Enspect the Killing of dear Contrary To Law
4ly To Chuse grave diggers, Pound Keeper, and Some person to Sweep Lock and unlock the Meeting house the year Ensuing
5ly For the Town To agree upon and Grant a Sum of money to Repair highways the year Ensuing, and also State the Price of Labor done upon the Same for the Ensuing Year
6ly To Chuse a Committe to hire a Schoolmaster the year Ensuing

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7ly For the Town to agree upon and a Sum of Money to pay a School Master and other Town debts the year Ensuing
8ly For the Town to Consider of and allow any Town debts to those To Whom the Town is Justly Indebted--
9ly For the Town to chuse a Committe to Squadron out the School the year Ensuing if they See Cause--
10ly For the Town to determine whether their Service Shall run at Large the Ensuing year--
11ly To See if the Town will abate the Rates of Silas Newton In a List of Assessment Commited to Asahel Moore to collect for the Year 1779
12ly To See if the Town will Grant to Asahel Mathews, Seth Newton Gedion Newton, Joseph Graves, Zaccheas Wetherbee, Ebenr Richards John Richards, John Prentice--and Richard Barnes them and their Heirs and Assigns Ground to Set Stables upon South of the Pound on Such other place as may be agreed upon by the Town and the Petitioners Sd Ground to be Specified by them as to the Quantitie at this meeting
13ly To See if the Town will Chuse Collectors for the Year Ensuing or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as the Town may think when met
also for the Town to Grant a Sum of money for the Constables the year past for their Extraordinary Time and Trouble
14ly To See if the Town Grant to Peter Brewer his Cost In a Jury To Veiw the Road by the Widow Salters to his Land
15ly For the Town to hear the Report of a former Committe Chose by the Town to meet a Committe from the town of Marlboro to State the Road from Joshua Newtons Bridge So called to the Farm Line also to Establish the Line between the Towns also to hear the Report of another Committe to find out how much Land their is

To dispose of and make a Final Settlement of Said Road or pass any Vote or Votes upon the Same as the Town thinks best when met--.

16ly To See if the Town will Grant to Capt. Nathan Brigham Jonas Ball and Willm Onthank them and their Heirs and Assigns a piece of Ground to Set Stables on against the Southwest Corner of the Burying Yard--

17ly To Se if the Town will abate the Rates of Semion Harry Set or List of Assessment Committed to Constable Fay to Collect the Present year---

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with your doings there on To the Selectmen att or before the time apointed for holding Sd. Meeting
Dated att Southborough this 19th day of Feby. 1781

by order of the Selectmen
Joshua Smith Town Clerk

Worcester Ss
In Obediance to this Warrant I have fully Executed the Same by Posting a Coppy of the Same agreable to Vote of this Town Feb.y the 26th 1781

Hezkh Fay (Constable for Southborough

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Southborough March 5th 1781 The Town met agreable to the foregoing Warrant Proceed to act as follows--viz:-

1 Chose It. Elijah Brigham Moderator
Voted to adjourn this Meeting for one hour

Attest Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

March 5th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows viz:--

On Art. 2d ' Joshua Smith)
Elijah Brigham)
Nathan Bridges) Selectmen
Willm Onthank)
Asahel Mathews)

On Art. 3d ' Abel Chamberlain
Elijah Johnson

On Art. 4th ' Grave Diggers
Benjamin Smith
Jonas Woods

Town Clerk
Joshua Smith
Constables
Moses Bruce
John Richards
Assessors
Solomon Newton
Docr James Parker
Jonas Ball

Pound Keeper
Joshua Smith

Keeper of the Sweting House
Nichos Hopping

Tything men
Reuben Fay
Nathan Bridges x
Capt. Bellows
Elisha Fay 7 day x

Field Drivers
Joseph Tuttle x
Josiah Fay x

Servayors of highways & Collectors of the money Granted to Repair the Same
Josiah Fay
Elisha Fay
Ezra Taylor
Ezra Newton Junr Excused
Richard Barnes 7 days

Sealer of Leather
John Bellows

Fence Veiwers
Aaron Fay
Robert Horne x

Pig Reeves
Trobridge Taylor x
Abner Ward
Robert Horne x
Silas Ball x

Then Voted to over the the 13th art. first Clause in the article it being tryed passed in the Negative
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to Wednesday next at one o'clock P.M. at this place

Elijah Brigham Modr.
Recorded by Joshua Smith T. Clerk

March 7th 1781 The Town meet according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows-viz:--

On Art. 2d ' Voted to Excuse Elijah Brigham and Joshua Smith from Serving as Selectmen
Voted to Excuse Jonas Ball from Serving as Treasurer

Then Chose for) Heman Fay
Selectmen) Mark Collins Junr

Town Treasurer--Nathan Bridges

Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to Friday Next at one o'clock P. M. at this place

Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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March the 9th 1781 The Town met according to adjournment Proceeded to act as follows--viz:-

On Art. 5th ' Agreed upon and Granted the Sum of Four Thousand Pounds L 4000--To Repair highway the year Ensuing to be assessed upon the poles and Ratable Estates In Southborough
Voted that from the 15th of May to the 15 of Sepr Labor be Forty Dollars per day Old Emision or Equivelent in the new and from and after the 15th of Sepr next Thirty Dollars per day

On Art. 6th ' Voted to Chuse a Committe Voted Said Committe Consist of three Persons Then Chose Jonas Ball Elijah Brigham & Solomon Newton Committe--

On Art. 7th ' Agreed upon and Granted the Sum of Twelve Thousand Pounds L 12000 Old Emision to be assessed upon the poles and Ratable Estates in Southborough to pay a School Master and other Town Debts---

	Granted Joshua Smith	L 151-10-0
	Granted Willm Onthank	94-10-0
	Granted Dea.n Fay	61-10-6
	Granted Jonas Ball	180- 0-0
	Granted Thomas Stone	54- 0-0
	Granted Nathan Bridgs	60- 0-0
	Granted Isaac Johnson	371-10-3
On Art. 8th	Granted Heman Fay	51-12-0
	Granted Jona Champney	illegible
	Granted John Prentice	illegible
	Granted Jonas Ball for depreciation	90- 0-0
	Granted James Parker	illegible
	Granted Nathan Bridges	illegible
	Granted James Parker	illegible
	Granted Asahel Moore	illegible
	Granted Nathan Bridges	1- 4-0
	Total	illegible

On Art. 9th ' Voted to Chuse a Committe to Consist of five persons To Squadron out the School Then Chose Jonas Ball, Asahel Mathews, Joshua Smith, Elijah Brigham & Solomon Newton for Committe

On Art. 10th ' Voted that their Swine do Run at Large the year Ensuing

On Art 11th ' Abated Silas Newtons Rates being L 10-

On Art. 12th ' Voted to pass over Finally

On Art. 13th ' First Clause passed in the Negative Voted that the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds L 300 be allowed To Each of the Constables for their Extraordinary time and Trouble the year Past--

On Art 14th ' Passed In the Negative

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On Art. 2d ' Voted to Excuse Moses Bruce from Serving Constable the present year, he then Publickly Engaged to the Town that Next year he would Serve the Town in Person as Constable or by hireing a man to Serve in his room to the Acceptance of the Town for Constable---
Then Chose Nathaniel Fay Constable
David Newton was duly appointed Sealer of Weights & Measures by the Selectmen and Constable and Sworn
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to Thursday Next at one O'clock P. M.

Elijah Brigham Moderator
Recorded by Joshua Smith Town Clerk

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